

NEBRASKA CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (CQI)



Child Protection & Safety

Our Vision: Children are safe and healthy and have strong, permanent connections to their families.


Our Commitments:



1. Children are our #1 priority
2. We respect and value parents and families
3. We value partnerships
4. We are child welfare professionals

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Nebraska Federal Indicators Matrix June 2015

 Department of Health & Human Services DHHS NEBRASKA	Absence of Maltreatment Recurrence	Absence of Maltreatment in Foster Care	Timeliness and Permanency of Reunification	Timeliness of Adoption	Permanency for Children in Foster Care	Placement Stability
Federal Target:	94.60%	99.68%	122.6	106.4	121.7	101.5
Eastern	94.30%	99.61%	112.5	136.1	154.2	109.7
Southeast	92.89%	99.92%	122.2	142.0	137.1	110.8
Central	91.66%	99.85%	125.0	159.7	158.8	112.3
Northern	98.93%	99.87%	140.9	152.4	166.2	116.9
Western	94.02%	99.82%	120.9	152.4	181.0	116.8
State	94.18%	99.77%	119.4	144.6	154.3	111.1

 = Passing the Federal
 = Not Passing the Federal Indicator

Note: Youth throughout the state who are placed in YRTC are reflected in the Federal Measures for the Central and Southeast Service Areas due to the YRTC's being located in Kearney and Geneva.



Nebraska Federal Indicators Matrix

Division of Children and Family Services

	Absence of Maltreatment Recurrence					Absence of Maltreatment in Foster Care					Timeliness and Permanency of Reunification					Timeliness of Adoption					Permanency for Children in Foster Care					Placement Stability				
Federal Target:	94.60%					99.68%					122.6					106.4					127.7					101.5				
Dates	Mar-06	Jun-08	Jun-10	Jun-12	Jun-14	Mar-06	Jun-08	Jun-10	Jun-12	Jun-14	Mar-06	Jun-08	Jun-10	Jun-12	Jun-14	Mar-06	Jun-08	Jun-10	Jun-12	Jun-14	Mar-06	Jun-08	Jun-10	Jun-12	Jun-14	Mar-06	Jun-08	Jun-10	Jun-12	Jun-14
Eastern	92.8%	91.2%	91.4%	92.9%	97.03%	99.72%	99.68%	99.64%	99.62%	99.43%	118.4	110.0	115.4	111.9	114.85	76.1	101.6	107.3	100.4	131.49	141.4	141.6	146.3	152.2	150.61	88.1	88.9	91.6	97.7	103.24
Southeast	88.3%	91.7%	92.7%	88.5%	95.57%	99.75%	99.67%	99.73%	99.31%	99.94%	123.5	97.1	102.0	113.8	120.89	90.5	109.5	124.4	133.5	136.18	146.6	152.8	157.4	153.0	155.17	89.6	95.7	95.6	100.2	100.20
Central	92.2%	93.7%	95.5%	92.2%	94.94%	99.70%	99.58%	99.88%	99.88%	100.00%	125.1	102.5	118.1	122.5	113.53	80.1	131.6	102.2	148.5	118.62	158.2	151.9	138.8	177.0	166.72	83.8	88.3	90.7	95.2	102.36
Northern	90.3%	92.0%	93.9%	93.7%	95.93%	99.53%	99.74%	99.79%	97.95%	99.75%	115.0	125.3	126.5	126.2	124.11	94.8	112.4	138.4	119.0	132.27	145.6	156.9	155.8	169.5	158.13	87.6	83.6	89.4	93.2	111.13
Western	92.3%	95.0%	95.7%	91.7%	95.67%	99.73%	99.91%	99.78%	99.88%	99.67%	127.5	108.5	125.8	115.5	110.49	84.7	76.9	129.8	135.1	142.52	142.3	153.3	160.4	170.2	155.37	85.6	90.6	85.3	93.4	102.84
State	90.6%	92.1%	92.7%	91.4%	96.02%	99.70%	99.70%	99.72%	99.43%	99.70%	117.8	105.0	114.0	112.8	116.97	87.3	105.0	117.6	119.1	127.11	144.5	149.5	148.2	155.6	153.72	87.1	90.0	91.6	97.0	103.10

8/19/2014 Prepared by: A. Wilson

= Passing the Federal Indicator
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* This chart was added to the CQI document in August 2014

CHAPTER 1: PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION

OUTCOME STATEMENT: CHILDREN AND FAMILY WILL HAVE TIMELY ACCESS TO THE SERVICES AND SUPPORT THEY NEED.

Goal Statement: Build infrastructure to support at-risk families;

- Primary Prevention – Targeted to general population, aimed at educating the public about child abuse and neglect, with the goal of stopping abuse before it happens.
- Secondary Prevention – Targeted to individual or families in which maltreatment is more likely
- Tertiary Prevention – Targeted toward families in which abuse has already occurred

Safely Decrease the Number of State Wards

Strengths/Opportunities:

July 2015: Reduction of 1,282 wards since June 2013.

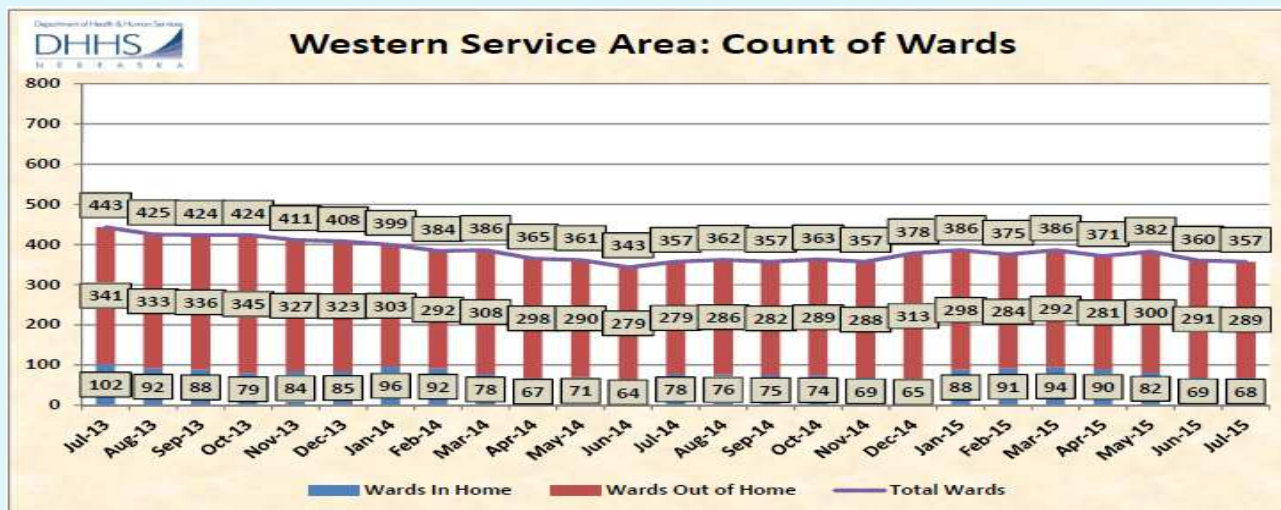
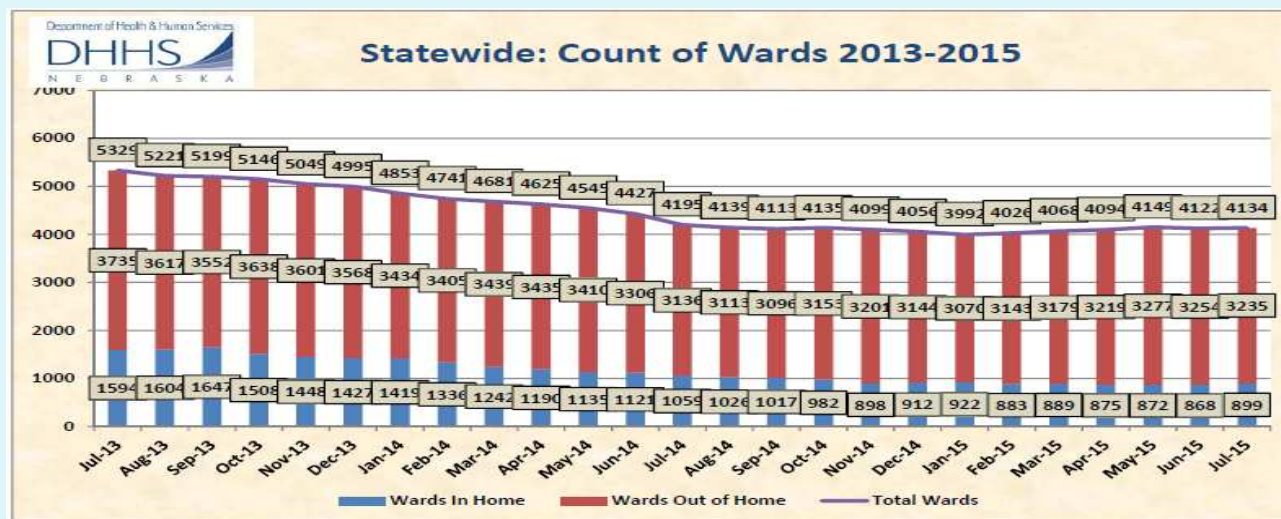
Barriers:

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

* Statewide

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children and Families Will Have Timely Access to the Services and Support They Need



*LB 961 directs DHHS to realign the Western, Central, and Northern Service Areas to be coterminous with the District Court judicial districts. The baseline data from July 2, 2012 reflects this geographical change.

Data Review Frequency: Quarterly

Safely Decrease the Number of State Wards

Strengths/Opportunities:

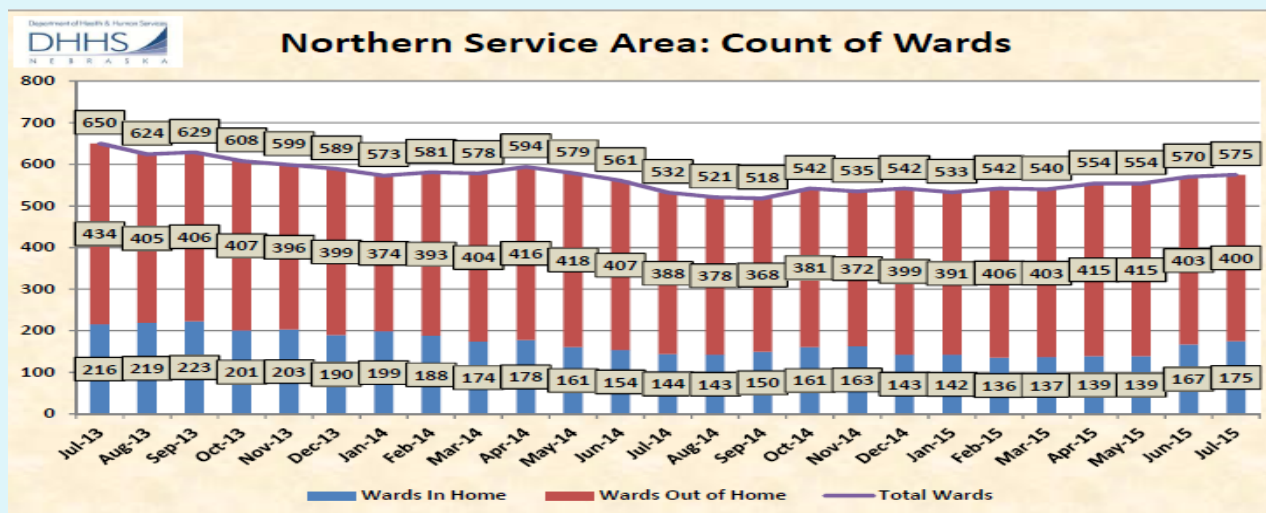
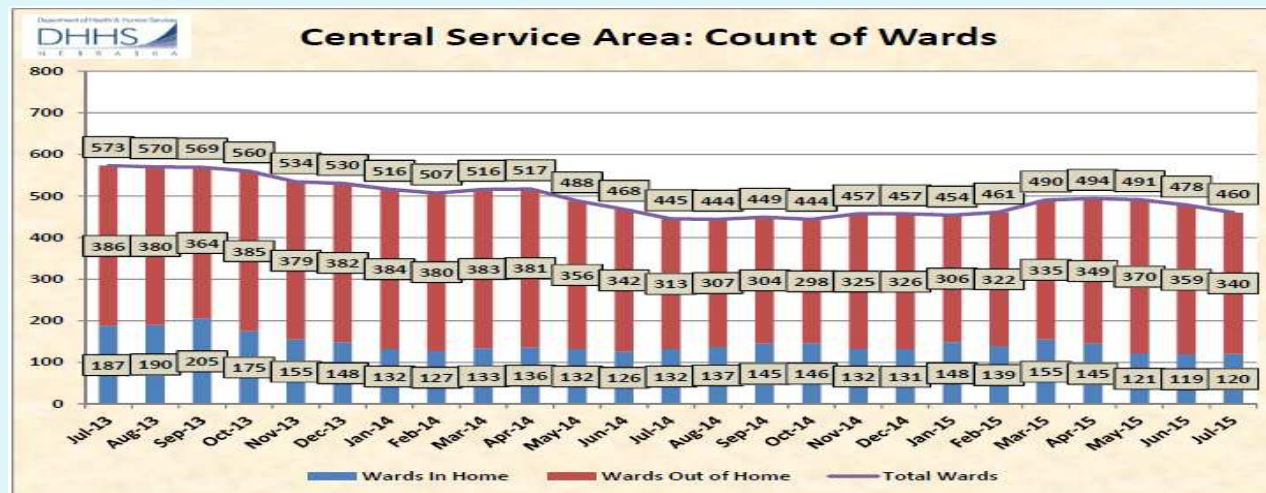
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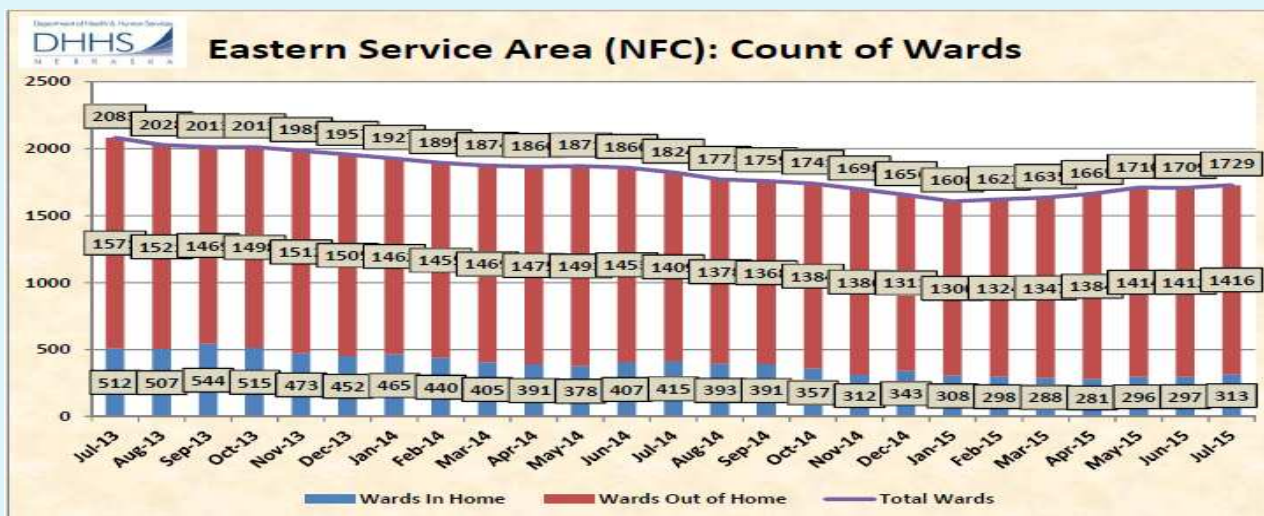
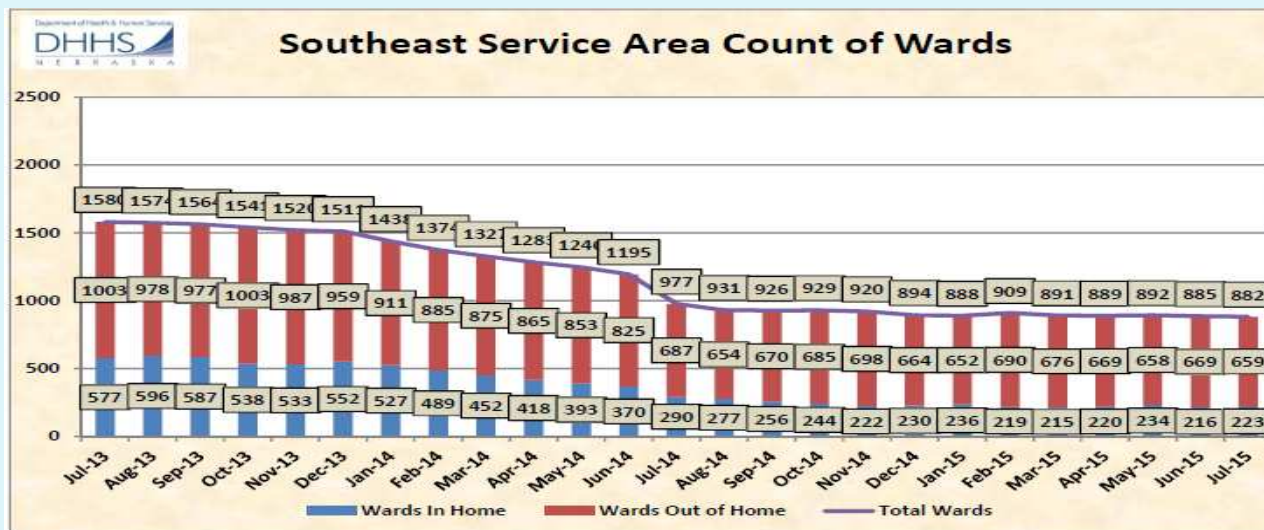
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Action Items:

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CHAPTER 2: SAFETY

OUTCOME STATEMENT: CHILDREN INVOLVED IN THE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM ARE SAFE

Goal Statement: CFS will have a timely response to reports of child abuse and neglect reports and conduct quality safety and risk assessments.

CPS Intakes Accepted

Strengths/Opportunities:

*Eastern, Northern and Southeast saw an increase in CPS Intakes accepted in 2015 compared to the same period of time (Jan-April) in 2014.

*ESA and NSA have seen stair step increases for the past 3 years.

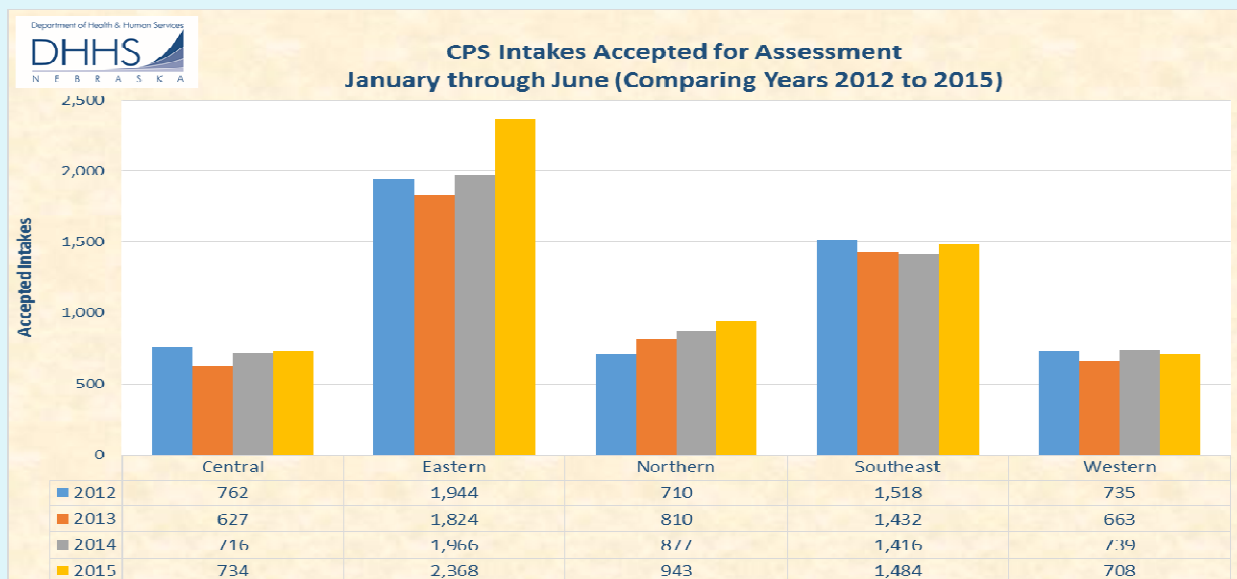
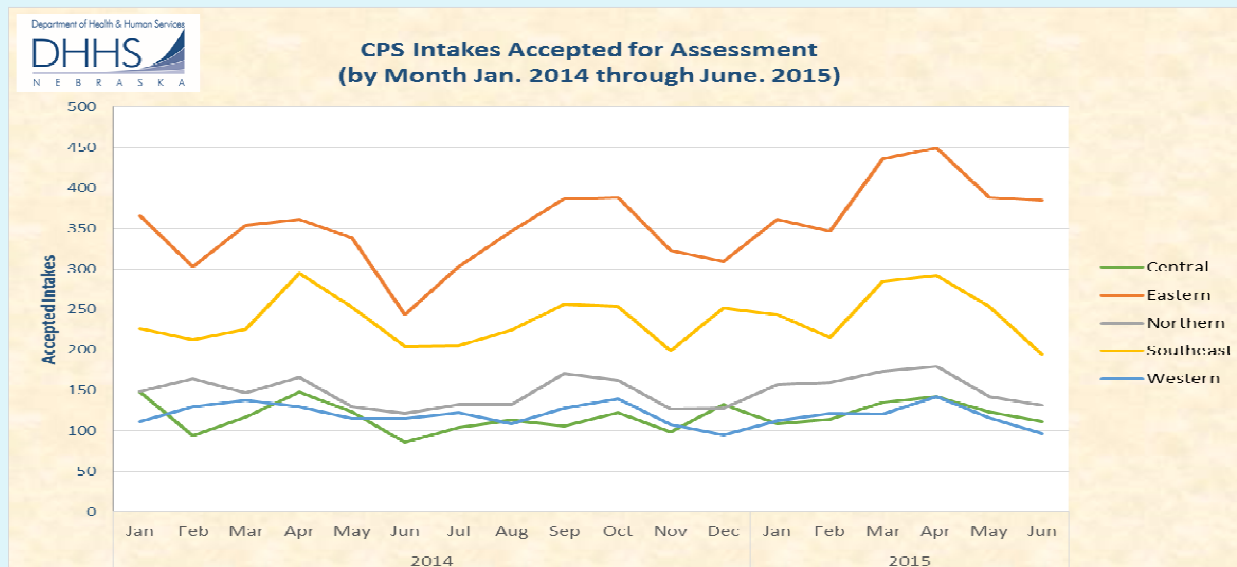
*ESA saw the most increase between 2014 and 2015.

*Each Service Area saw a decrease in number of intakes between May and June 2015.

Barriers:

Action Items:

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Involved in the Child Protection System are Safe



Data Review Frequency: Quarterly

Absence of Maltreatment in Six Months

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

* **State performance is below the target goal.** NSA is the only area meeting this goal.

Barriers:

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

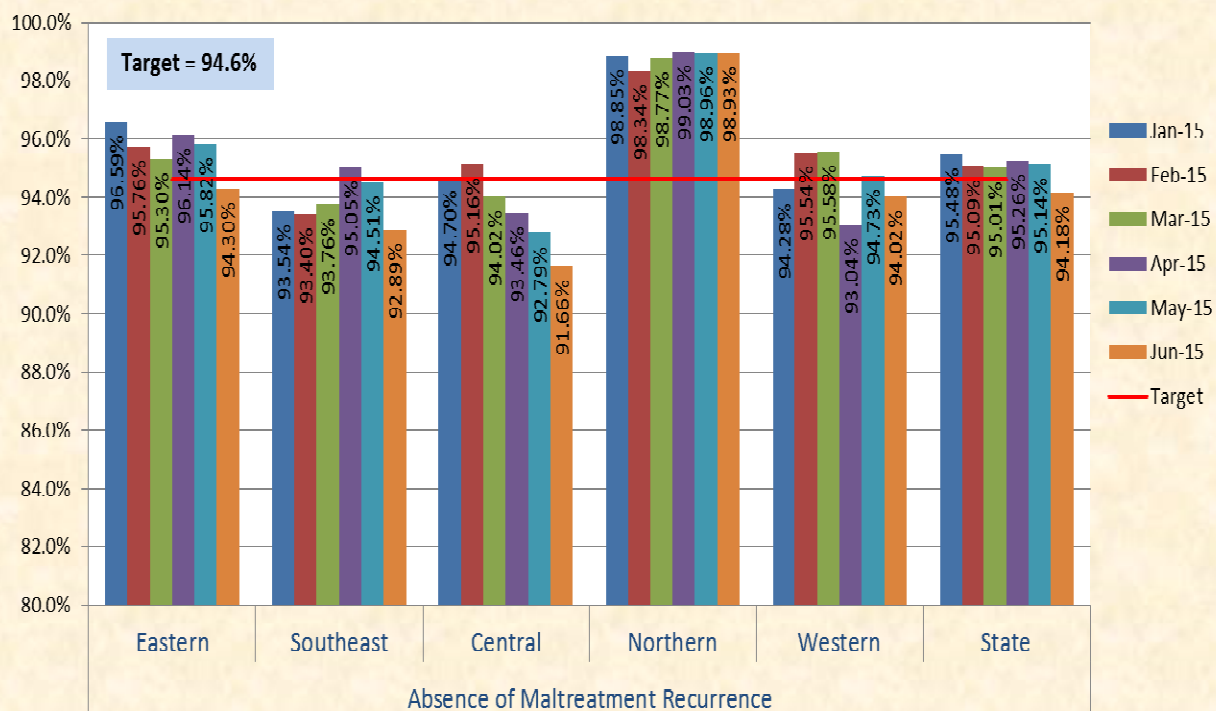
- *Statewide External Stakeholder Team
- *Western and Southeast Service Areas

*Refer to Local Service Area Action Plan Forms for detailed Action Items and Strategies for each Service Area.

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Involved in the Child Protection System are Safe



Absence of Maltreatment Recurrence - COMPASS Measures



This is Federal Measure that reports on a rolling 12 month period. Data Source: N-FOCUS COMPASS-State wards. The children included in this report were victims of abuse or neglect during the first six months of the 12 month period. If the child was a victim of a subsequent abuse or neglect incident within 6 months of the first incident of abuse or neglect they appear on this report. Victims are defined as children where the court or DHHS has substantiated the allegations of abuse or neglect.

Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

IA – Investigation Timeframes

Strengths/Opportunities:

July 2015: SESA has the lowest number of IA's not finalized while the Tribes has the highest number.

On 7/28/15 there were 912 Initial Assessments that were not finalized for the entire State. 71% of those belong ESA and the Tribes.

Barriers:

- ESA & NSA: Staff Vacancies
- Tribes: Time to document assessments and increase knowledge and ability to document SDM Assessments on N-FOCUS.

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

- Western Service Area

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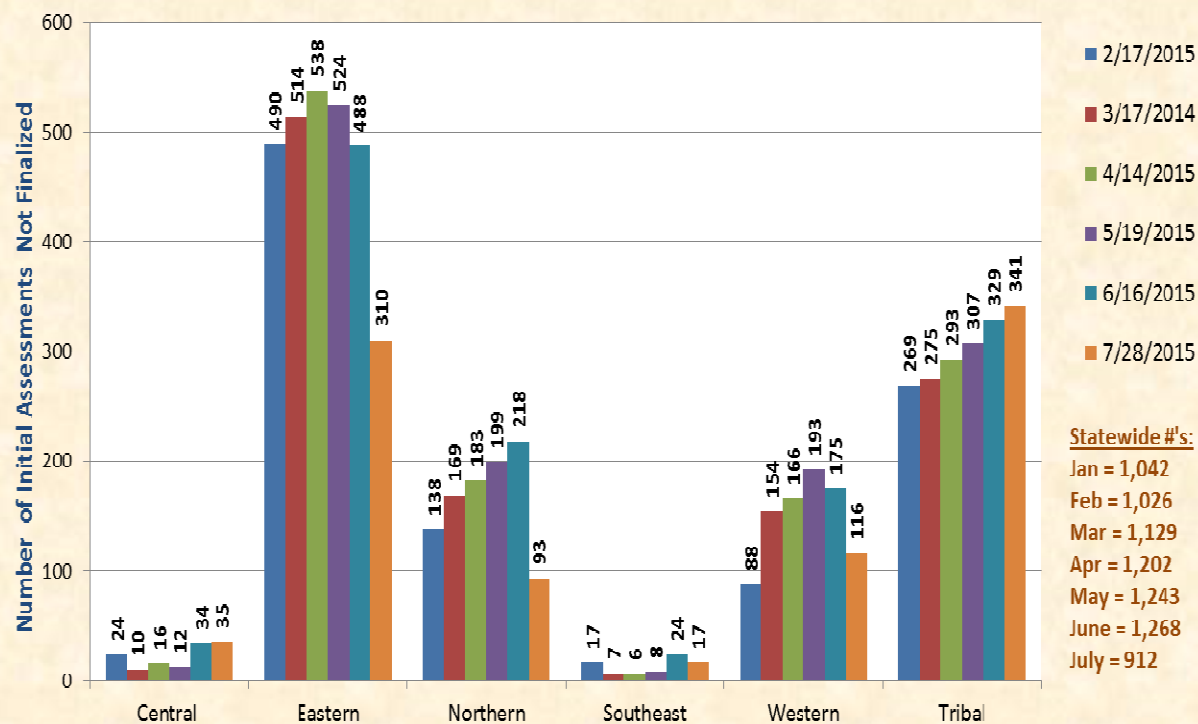
Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Involved in the Child Protection System are Safe



Initial Assessments- NOT FINALIZED (2012-2015)

* Initial Assessments that are not finalized past 30 days from the intake closure date.
as of July 28th, 2015



Statewide #'s:

Jan = 1,042
Feb = 1,026
Mar = 1,129
Apr = 1,202
May = 1,243
June = 1,268
July = 912

*This chart illustrates cases that are not finalized due to one or more of the following reasons:
Safety assessment not tied to the intake, Risk assessment is not in final status, and/or Finding has not been entered.*



Data is part of CFSR Item #4 (Risk and Safety Management).



IA – Contact Timeframes

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

*Increase in performance for P1 and P2 priority contact timeframes.

*The most common reason for missed contacts was due to no assessments found on N-FOCUS.

Barriers:

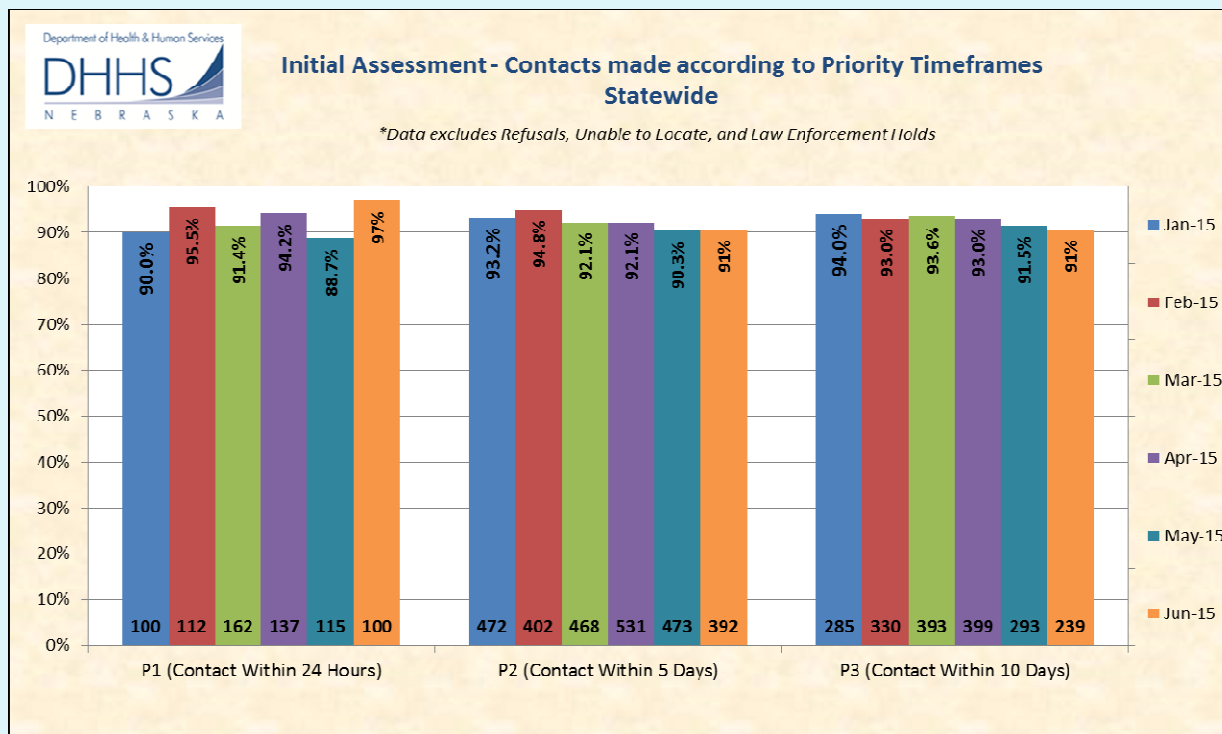
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

- Western Service Area

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OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Involved in the Child Protection System are Safe



Reason for Missed Contacts	
Intake not tied to Assessment (No Assessment Found)	25
Contact Made After Report Ran	3
Contact Not Timely	20
Incorrect ARP Number	6
Contact Made Prior to Intake Accepted	5
No Identified Victim	2
Total	61

Count Missed by Admin	
Omaha-Spears	3
Santee - Thomas	6
Winnebago- Painter	4
SESA - Bro	8
SESA - Jelinek	1
ESA-Baker	13
ESA - Pitt	5
ESA - Nawrocki	1
NSA - Ullrich	7
CSA - Stolz	1
CSA - Zimmerman	12
Total	61

Note: Intakes accepted for APSS or OH investigations were included in this measure for the first time in November 2013.



Data is part of CFSR Item #1 (Timeliness of Initiating Investigations)

Data Review Frequency: Monthly

IA – Contact Timeframes

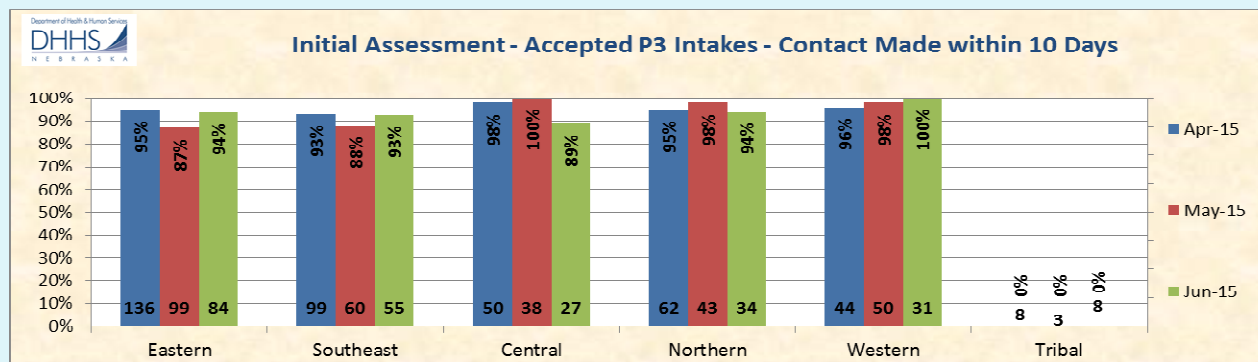
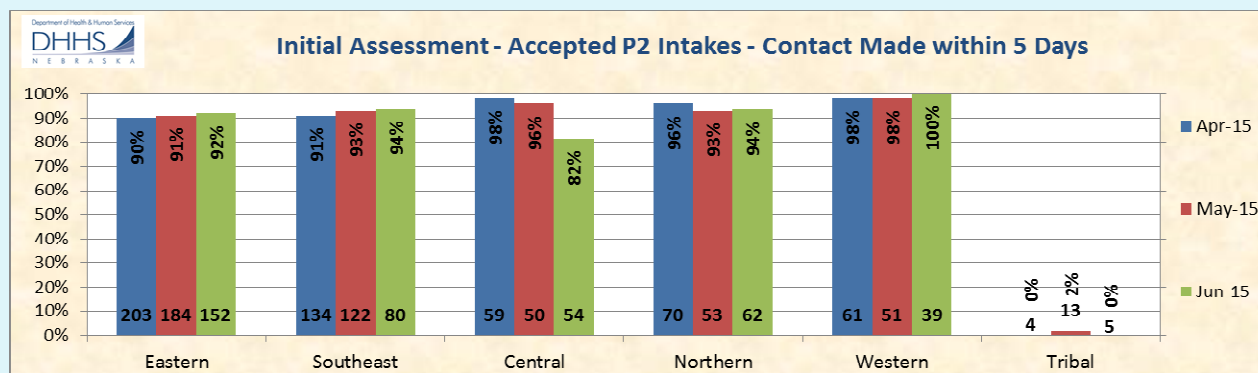
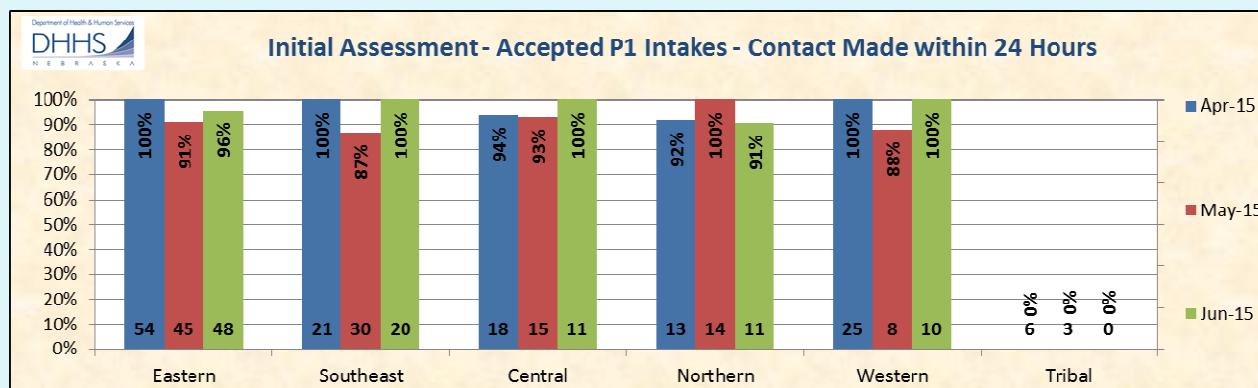
Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: WSA had 100% for P1, P2, and P3 contacts this month.

Barriers:

Action Items:

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Involved in the Child Protection System are Safe



Data Review Frequency: Monthly



Data is part of CFSR Item #1 (Timeliness of Initiating Investigations)

Absence of Maltreatment in Foster Care

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: ESA is currently not meeting this goal. Statewide performance is at 99.77%.

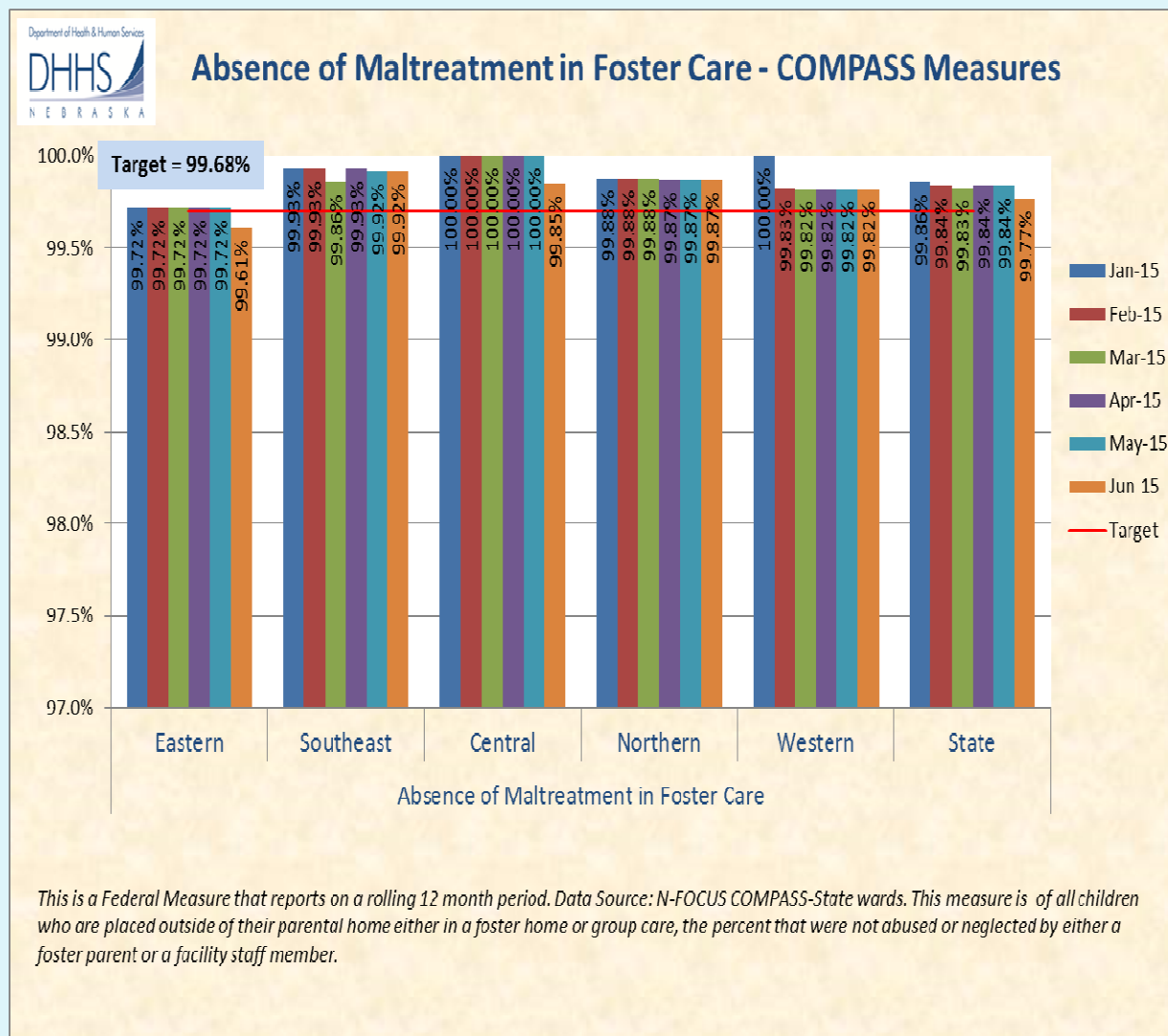
Barriers:

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

*Statewide External Stakeholder Team

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Involved in the Child Protection System are Safe



Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

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CHAPTER 3: PERMANENCY

**OUTCOME STATEMENT: CHILDREN WILL ACHIEVE
TIMELY PERMANENCY (Reunification, Guardianship,
Adoption and Independent Living)**

**Goal Statement: Front End – Children will remain home whenever
safely possible. Children in out-of-home care will achieve timely
permanency**

Youth Placed Out of State

Strengths/Opportunities:

July 2015:

On 7/27/15– there were 153 youth placed outside of Nebraska.

- 31% - 48 of these youth are placed in congregate care.
- 56% - 85 of these youth are placed in neighboring states (IA, KS, CO, MO and SD).

Total Number of Youth Out of State:

July 2014 = 131

August 2014 = 130

September 2014 = 144

October 2014 = 146

November 2014 = 142

January 2015 = 133

February 2015 = 143

March 2015 = 157

April 2015 = 150

May 2015 = 148

June 2015 = 148

July 2015 = 153

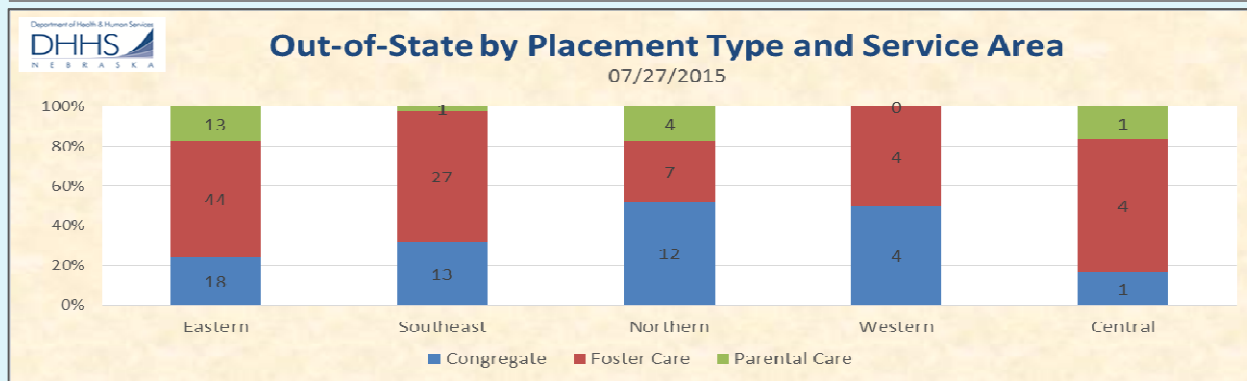
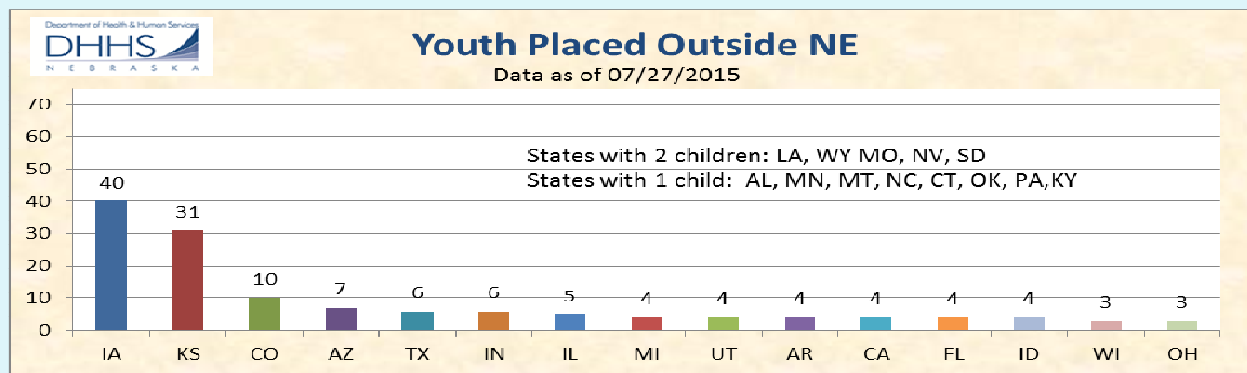
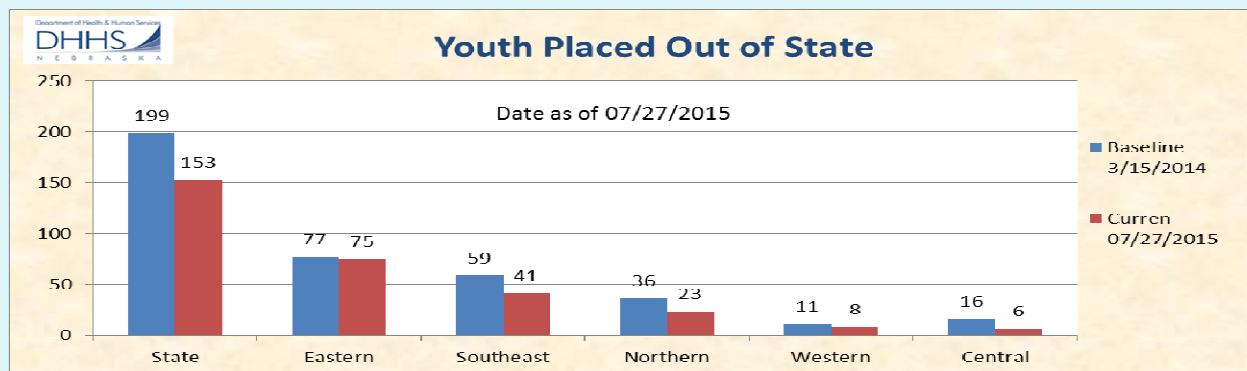
Barriers:

Action Items:

*Refer to Local Service Area or Tribal Action Plan Forms for detailed Action Items and Strategies for each Area/Tribe.

Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



*Includes all youth and all placements out of Nebraska (parent/congregate/foster). Excluding Tribal Youth.

Youth Placed Out of State

Strengths/Opportunities:

July 2015:

- 54% or 26 out of 48 of the youth placed in congregate care are placed in the following neighboring states – IA, KS, CO, MO, and SD. At times, placement in these bordering states is in closer proximity to the youth's parents.
- 4 youth have been placed in congregate care for 2 or more years.
- 54% or 26 out of 48 of the youth in congregate care have been in out of state placement for over 180 days (6 months or more).

Barriers:

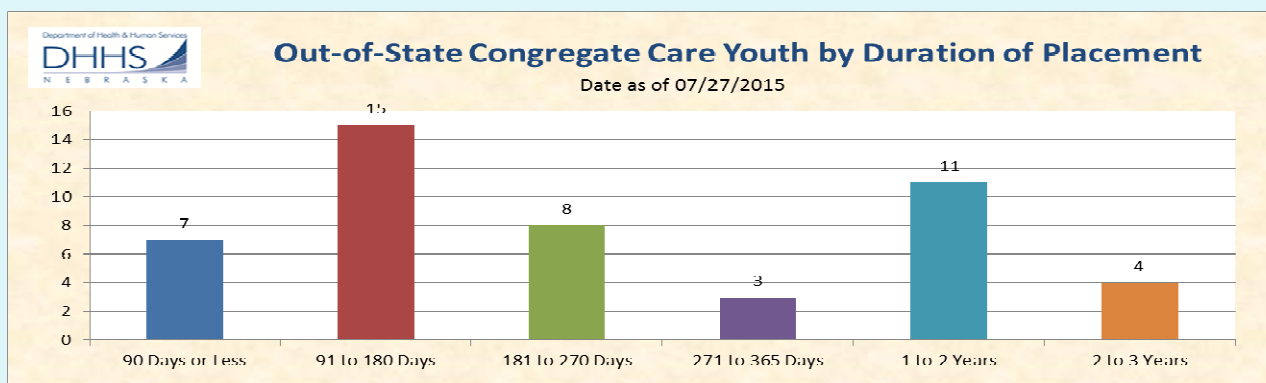
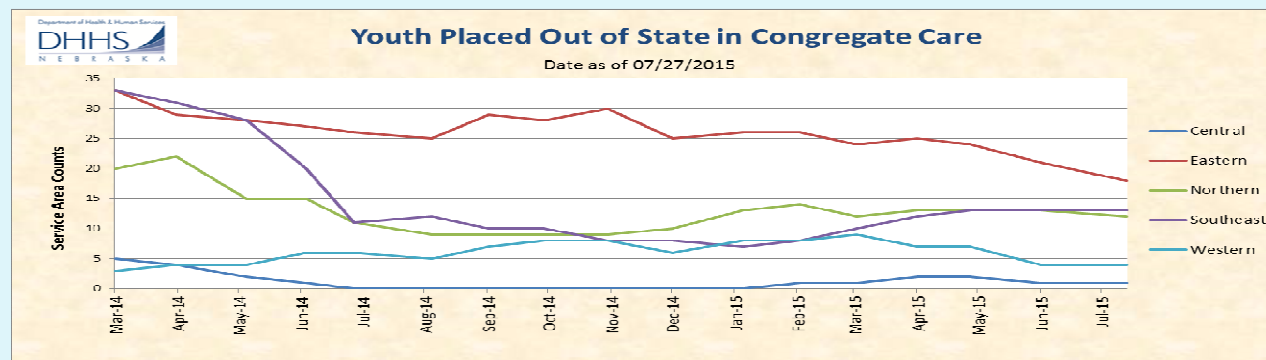
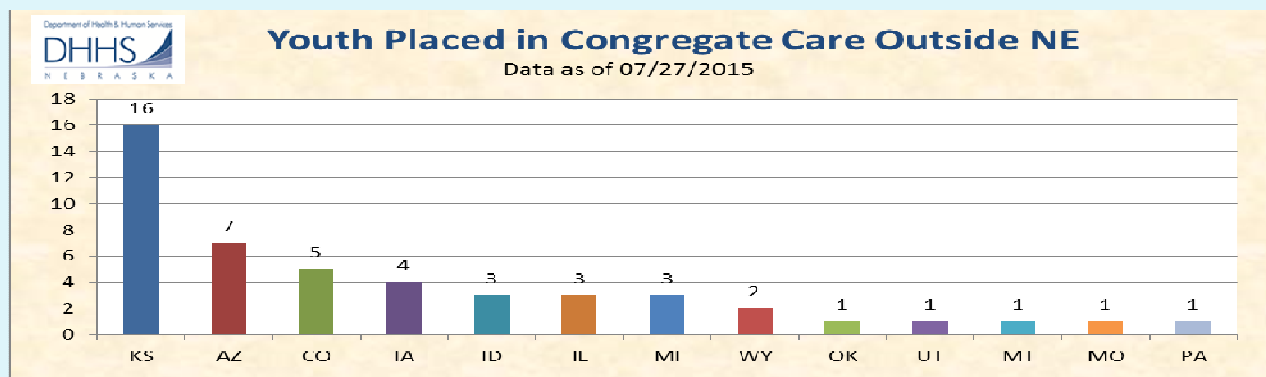
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

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Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



*Includes all youth and all placements out of Nebraska (parent/congregate/foster). Excluding Tribal Youth.

CFS Supervisor Periodic Review

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015

*Statewide = 86.8%

*Highest Performance = YRTC (99.0%)

*Lowest Performance = Tribes (2.2%)

Barriers:**Action Items:**

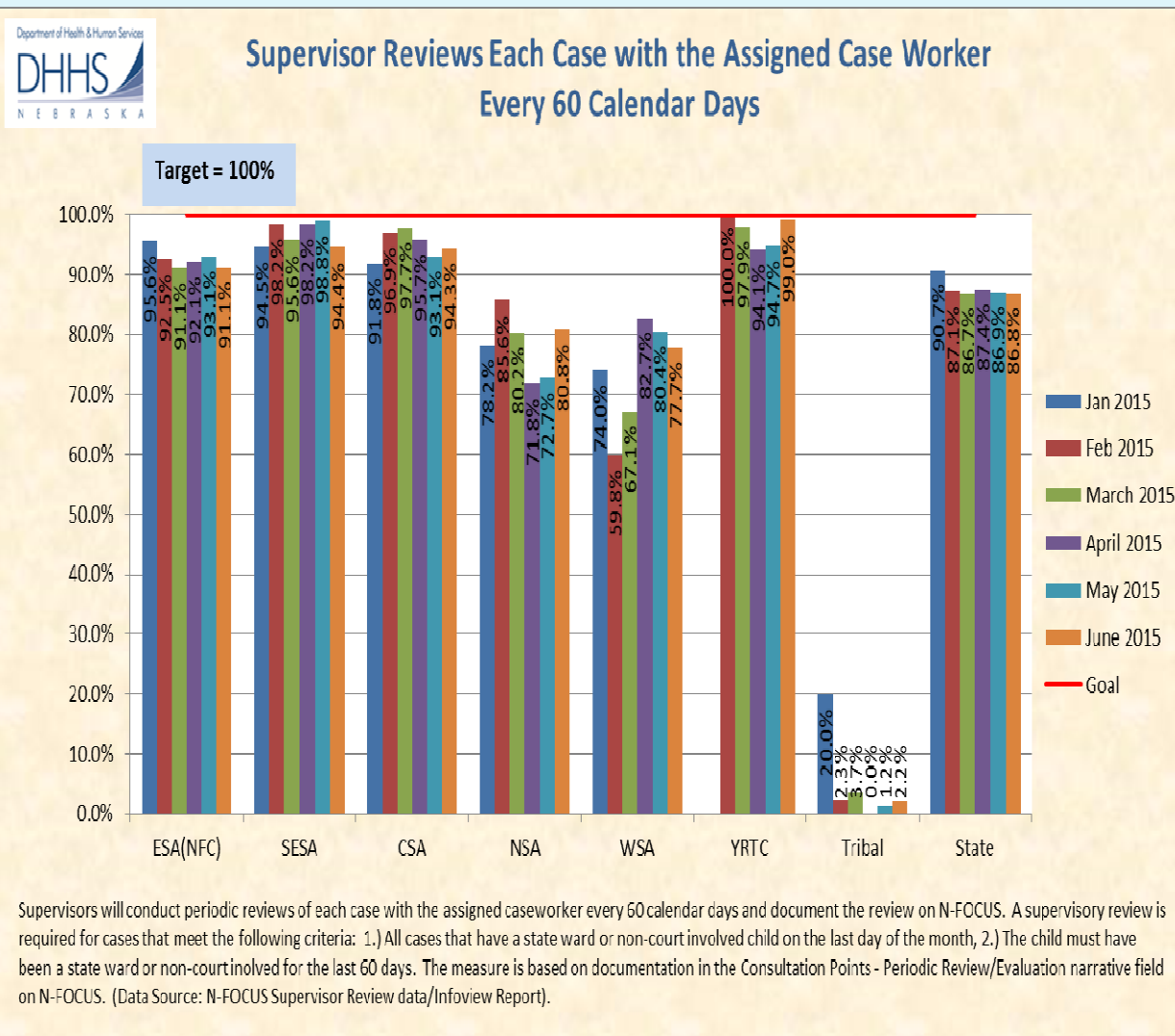
***Seth Coates will lead a workgroup to review expectations for supervisory reviews. Workgroup will make recommendations to the SAA's and present at the statewide CQI team for discussion.**

CQI Team Priority:

*Refer to Local Service Area or Tribal Action Plan Forms for detailed Action Items and Strategies for each Area/Tribe.

Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Data for Systemic Factor #21 (Periodic Review). Data added to CQI document on 8/2014

Placement Change Documentation w/in 72 hours

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

*Increase in statewide performance to 90.2%

* WSA has achieved 100% in this measure the last two months.

State performance was at 56% in May 2012.

Barriers:

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

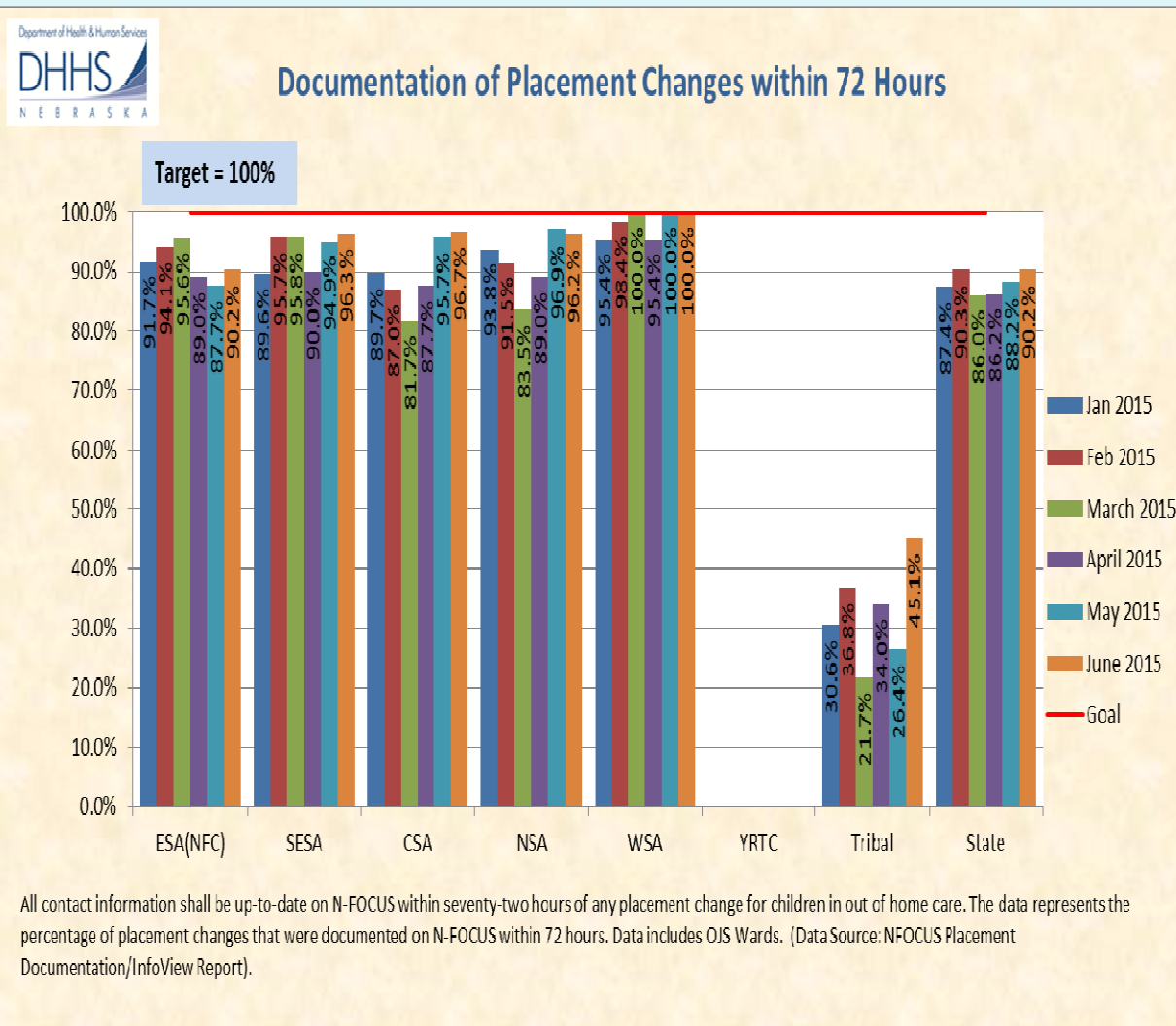
*Northern Service Area

*Tribes

**Refer to Local Service Area or Tribal Action Plan Forms for detailed Action Items and Strategies for each Area/Tribe.*

Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Family Team Meeting Frequency

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

- *State performance decreased to 93.7%.
- *YRTC has the highest score at 100.0%.
- *Tribes have the lowest score at 21.6%.

Note: The State performance was at 76.2% in May 2012.

Barriers:

-Lack of documentation in tribal cases.

Action Items:

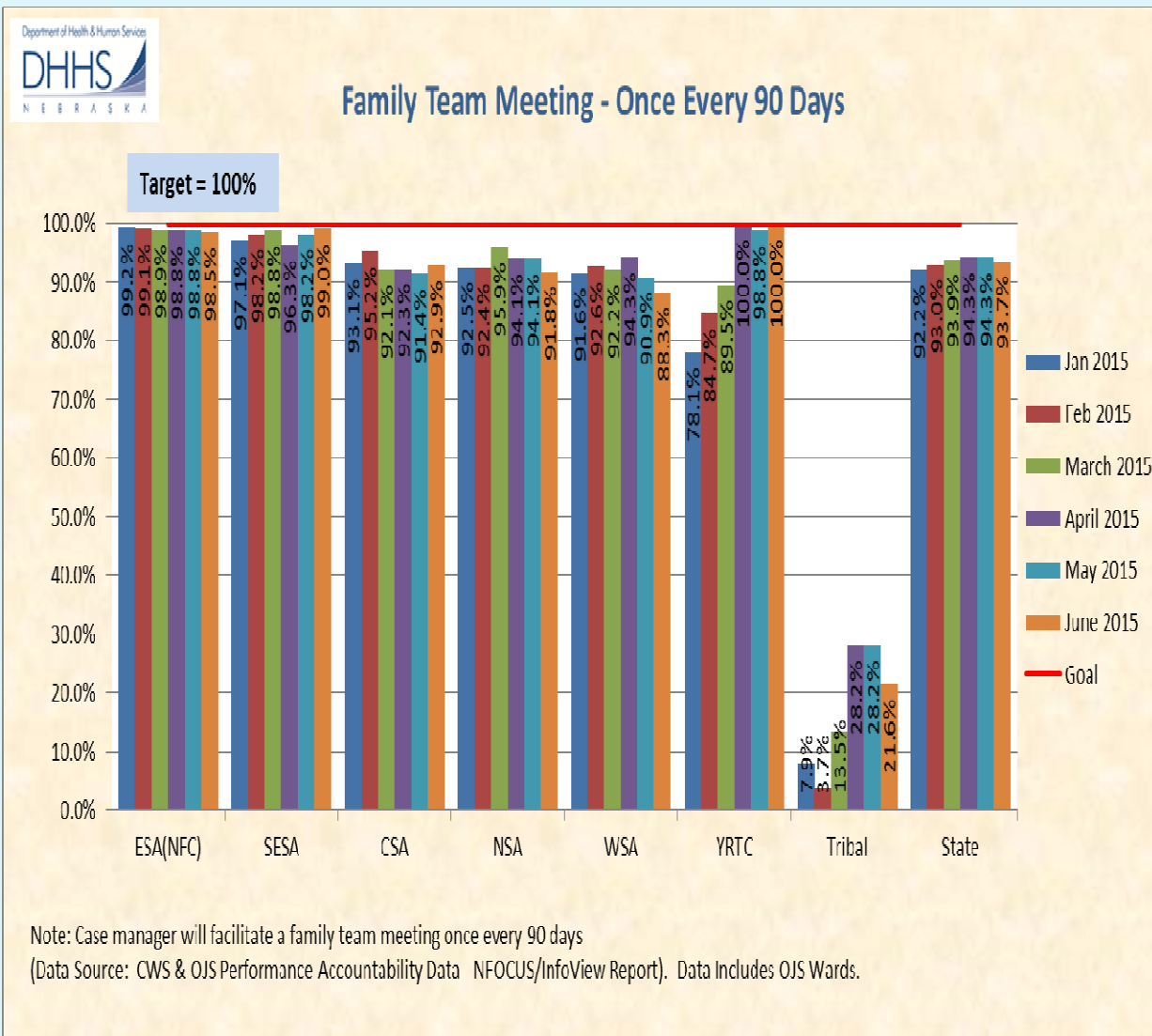
***The New FTM Policy and Procedures Memo was sent to the field on 6/17/15**

CQI Team Priority:

*Tribes

**Refer to Local Service Area or Tribal Action Plan Forms for detailed Action Items and Strategies for each Area/Tribe.*

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Data Review Frequency: Monthly

Case Plans Created within 60 Days

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

*Statewide performance decreased to 71.9%

*YRTC has the highest number of case plans created in 60 days (90.9%).

*Tribes have the lowest (5.0%).

Barriers:

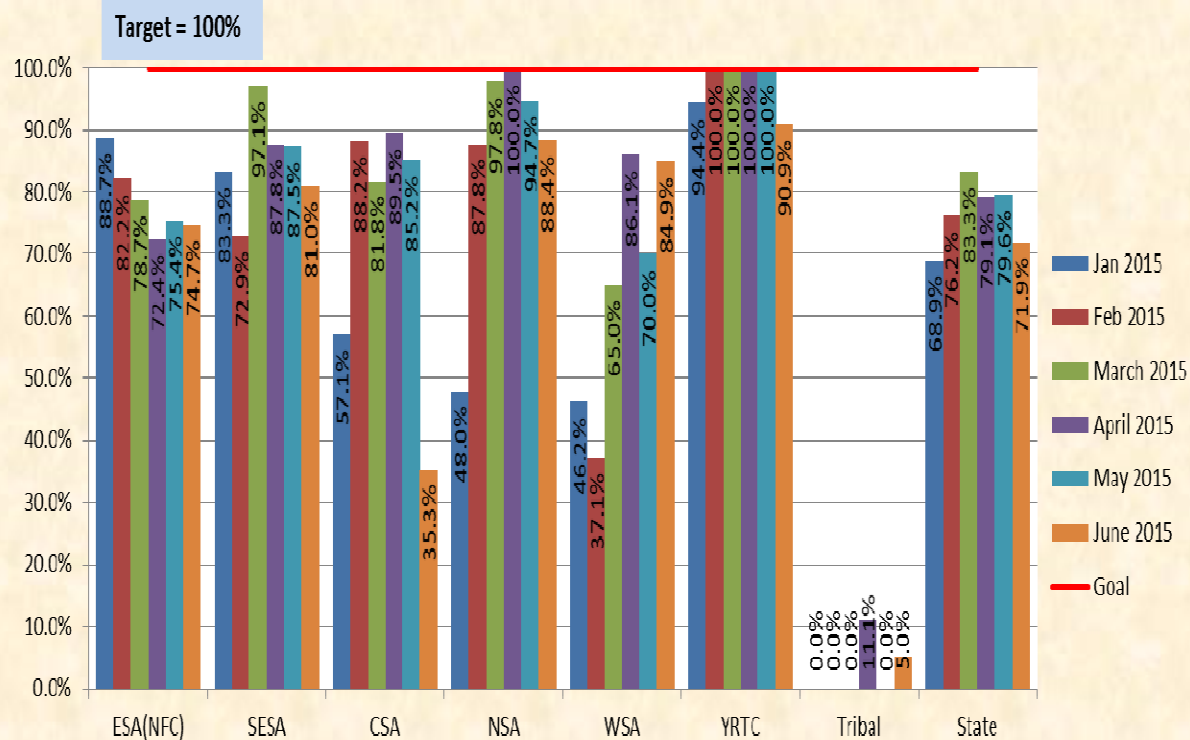
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Case Plans created within 60 calendar days of youth becoming a ward or a child in a non-court involved case.



All children shall have a written Case Plan on NFOCUS within 60 calendar days of becoming a ward or child in non-court involved case. The data represents the percentage of Case Plans created on N-FOCUS within 60 calendar days of the child's legal status change to ward or non-court involved child. Data includes OJS Wards. (Data Source: NFOCUS Case Plan Documentation/InfoView Report).

Data Review Frequency: Monthly



Data is part of CFSR Item #7 (Permanency Goal for the Child). Data added to CQI document on 6/2014

Worker Contact with Mother and Father

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

Decrease in contact with mothers to 70.0%. Contact with fathers decreased to 39.9%.

** Note: The performance accountability report was modified to require a contact for all parents whose rights are still intact regardless of the child's permanency goal. Prior to this, the report did not require a parent contact for all youth whose permanency goals were adoption, guardianship or independent living.*

Barriers:

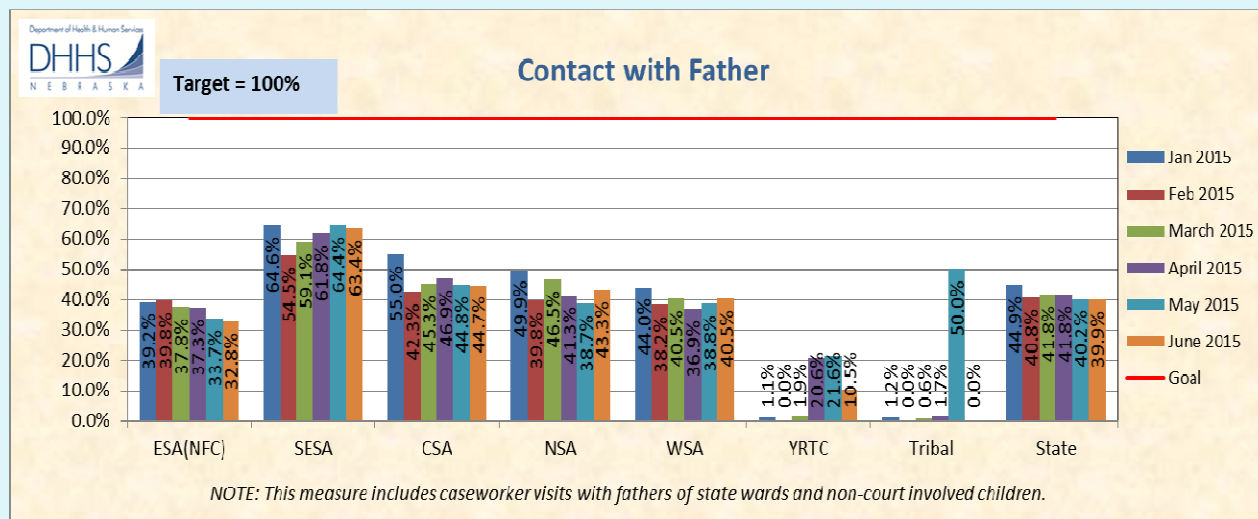
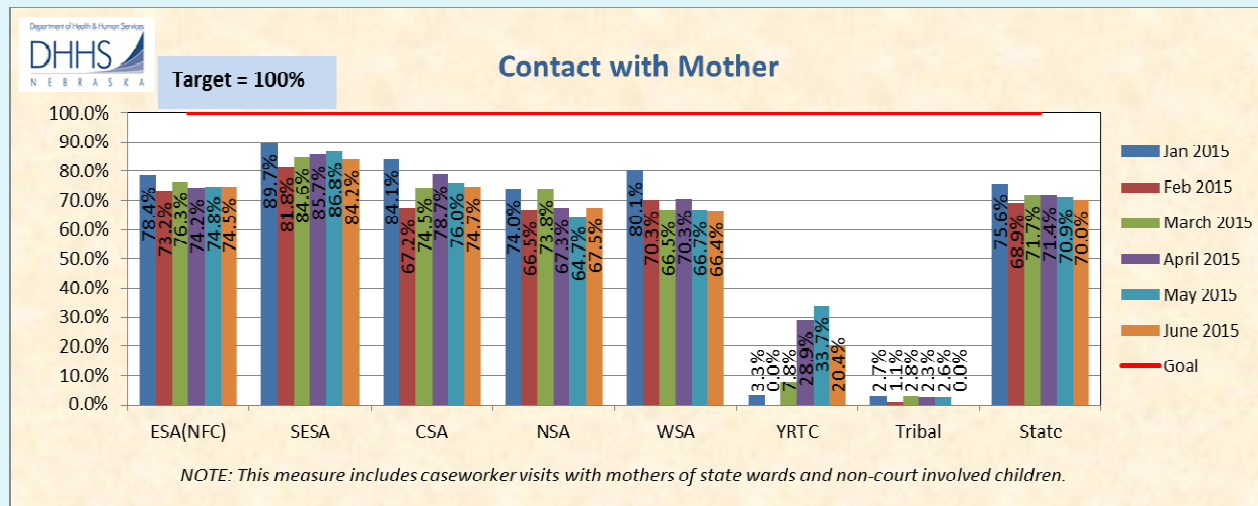
* Identification and engagement of non-custodial parents, especially fathers.

Action Items:

- **Policy Team is working on 2 different memo's to address placement and due diligence efforts to engage the child's mother and father.**
- **A quick tip will be develop to provide additional guidance to staff to assist with efforts to locate and engage the non-custodial parent, especially when working with a mother who does not want to involve the child's father in non court cases**
- **Changes are being made on N-FOCUS to enable workers to reflect efforts to contact and engage the mother and father.**

Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



*Note: Data includes parent contact in both court & non-court involved cases.



Data is part of CFSR Item #20 (Caseworker visit with mother/father). Data added to CQI document on 6/2014

Federal Visitation with State Wards

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015:

*New Fed Fiscal Year began in October 2013. The Federal Measure is 90%, this will increase to 95% in 2015. NE has set goal at 95% in preparation for the change with the federal measure.

***State performance decreased to 95.0% this month. Performance is 97% and above for all Service Areas, 82.9% for YRTC, and 31.6% for Tribal Cases.**

Note: In SFY11, NE reported 48.4% monthly child contact with this federal measure! WOW!!!

Barriers:

-Lack of documentation in tribal cases

Action Items:

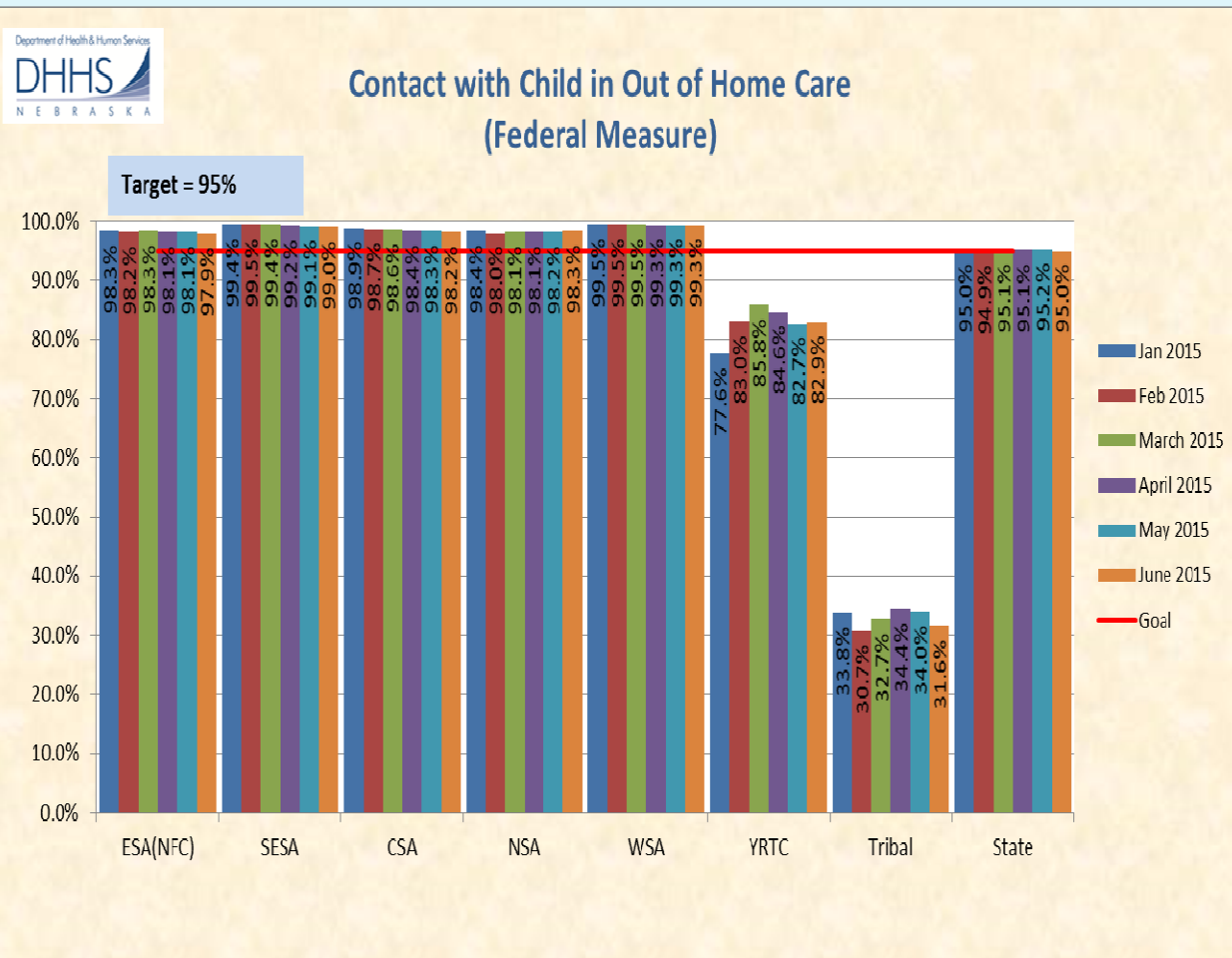
CQI Team Priority:

*Tribes

**Refer to Local Service Area or Tribal Action Plan Forms for detailed Action Items and Strategies for each Area/Tribe.*

Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Case manager will have monthly face to face contact with the child. This federal visitation requirement is a cumulative measure for the federal fiscal year (October to December). Youth are required to be visited 95% of the months they are in out of home care. Data includes OJS Wards. (Data Source: Federal Visitation Data - NFOCUS/InfoView Reports). Starting Aug 2014 – data includes court youth placed at home on trial home visit.



Data is part of CFSR Item #19 (Caseworker visit with the child).



Monthly Contact with State Wards and Non-Court Involved Child

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: Non Court Case - statewide performance decreased to 86.3%.

Note: In May 2012, the state performance was at 53.4% for this measure.

June 2015: State Wards - statewide performance decreased to 94.3%.

Barriers:

-Lack of documentation in tribal cases

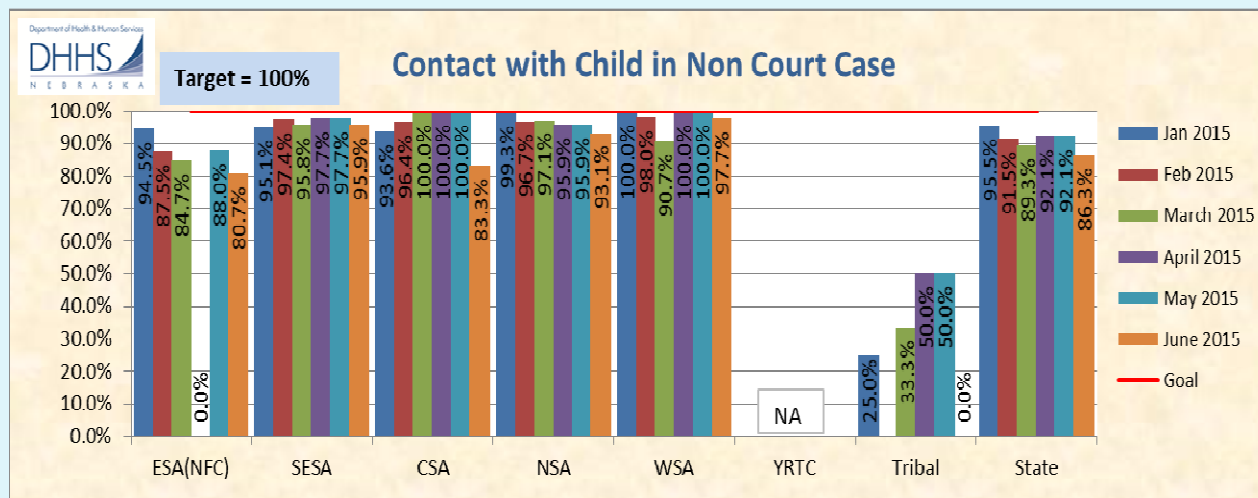
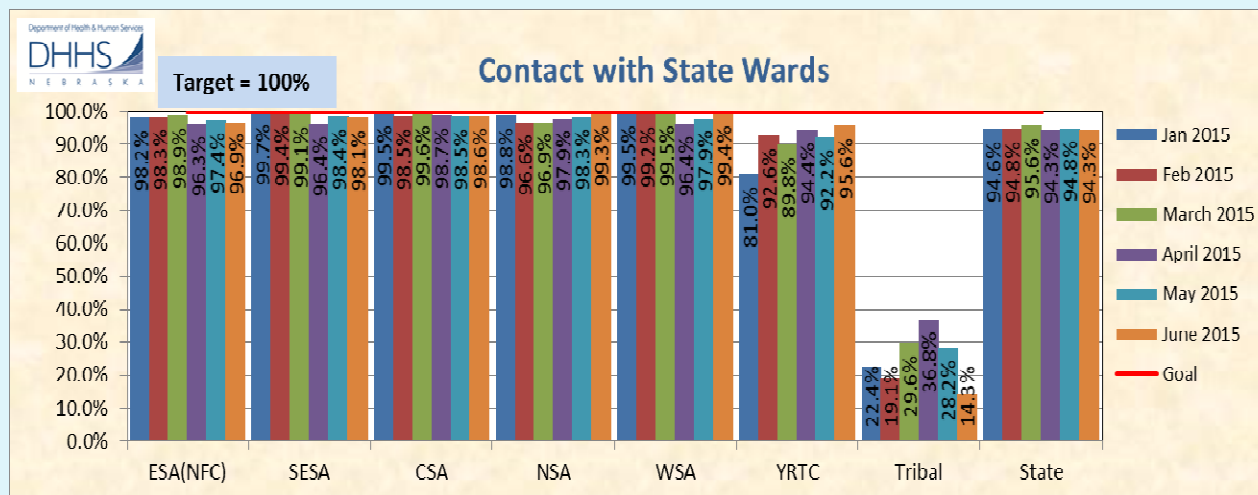
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

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Data Review Frequency: Monthly

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Case manager will have monthly face to face contact with the child (Data Source: CWS & OJS Performance Accountability Data - NFOCUS/InfoView Reports).

Data is part of CFSR Item #19 (Caseworker visit with the child).

Permanency for Children in Foster Care

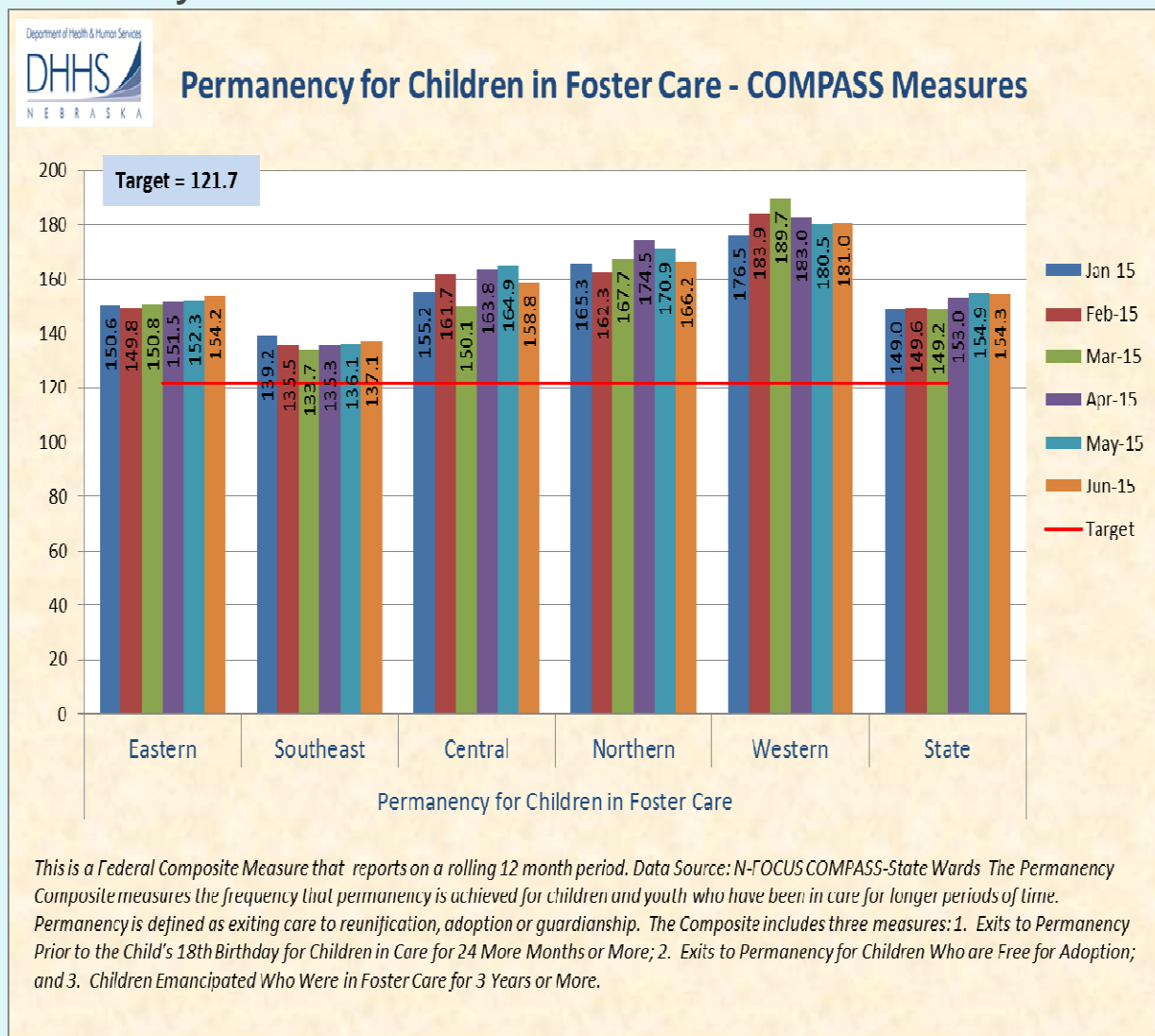
Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: All Service Areas continue to meet the target goal for this measure.

Barriers:

Action Items:

OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

Timeliness of Adoption

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: All service areas continue to meet the target goal for this measure.

Barriers:

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

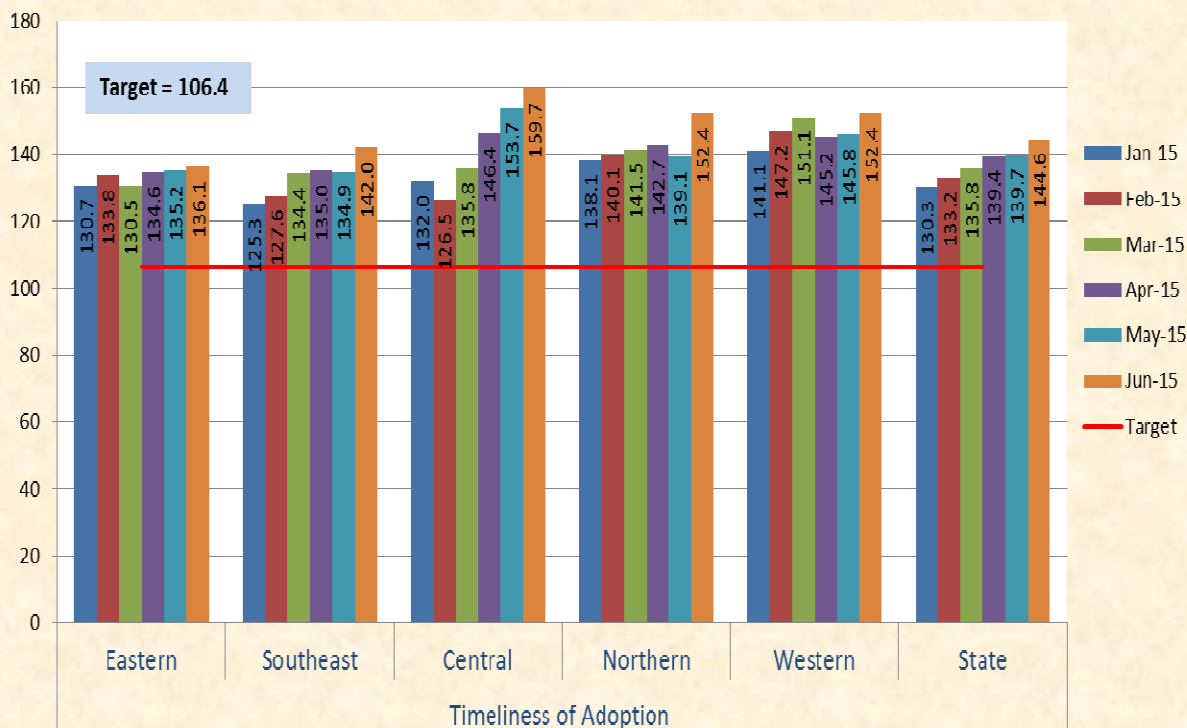
*Central Service Area

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OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Timeliness of Adoption - COMPASS Measures



This is a Federal Composite Measure: Data Source: N-FOCUS COMPASS-State wards. This is a Federal measure that reports on a rolling 12 month period. The Adoption Composite measures the timeliness of adoptions and includes the following five measures: Adoption in less than 24 Months, Median Time to Adoption, Children in care for 17 Months or Longer Who Are Adopted by the End of the Year, Children in Care for 17 Months or Longer Who Are Legally Free for Adoption within 6 Months, and Children Who Are Legally Free for Adoption Who Are Adopted within 12 Months.

Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

Timeliness & Permanency of Reunification

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: NSA and CSA are currently meeting this measure. WSA and SESA saw an increase in performance while ESA saw a decrease.

Barriers:

Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

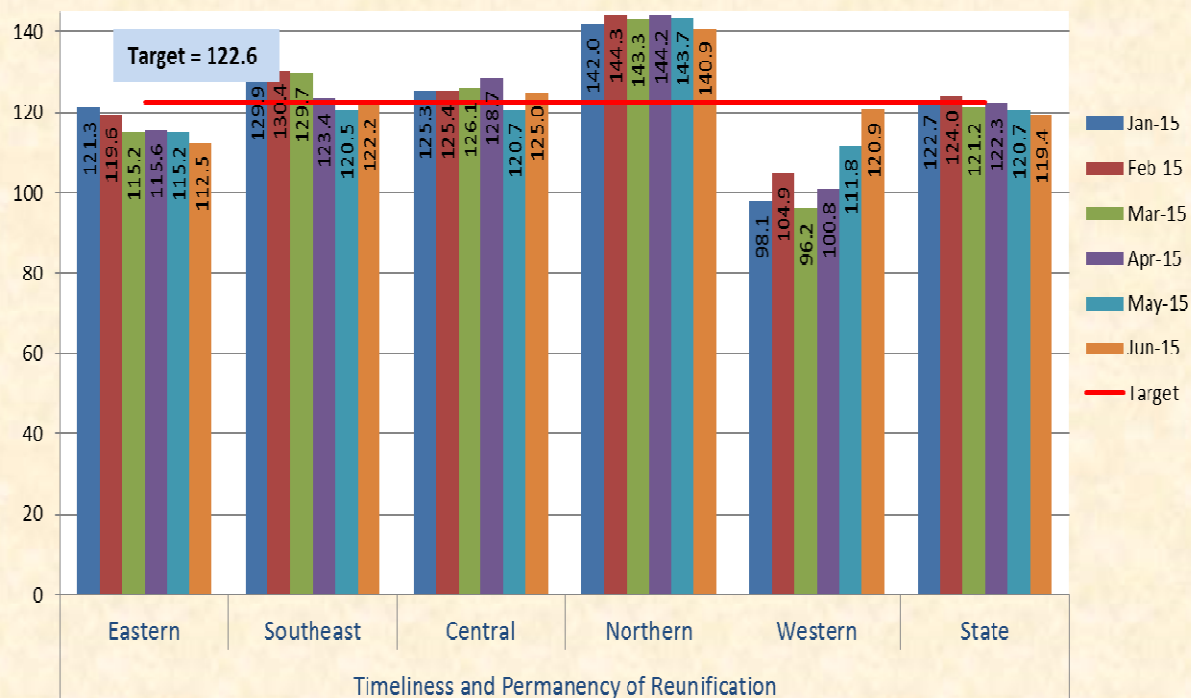
- *Statewide External Stakeholder Team
- *Eastern, Northern, Southeast and Western Service Areas

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OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Timeliness & Permanency of Reunification - COMPASS Measures



This is a Federal Composite Measure. Data Source: N FOCUS COMPASS State Wards. This is a Federal Measure that reports on a rolling 12 month period. The Reunification Composite measures the timeliness of reunification and whether the reunification was permanent over a specific period of time. The Reunification Composite includes four measures: Reunification in Less Than 12 Months, Median Time to Reunification, Entry Cohort Reunification in Less Than 12 Months, and Permanence of Reunification.

Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

Timeliness & Permanency of Reunification

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: 65.2% of the exits to reunification happen between 0-12 months.

Barriers:

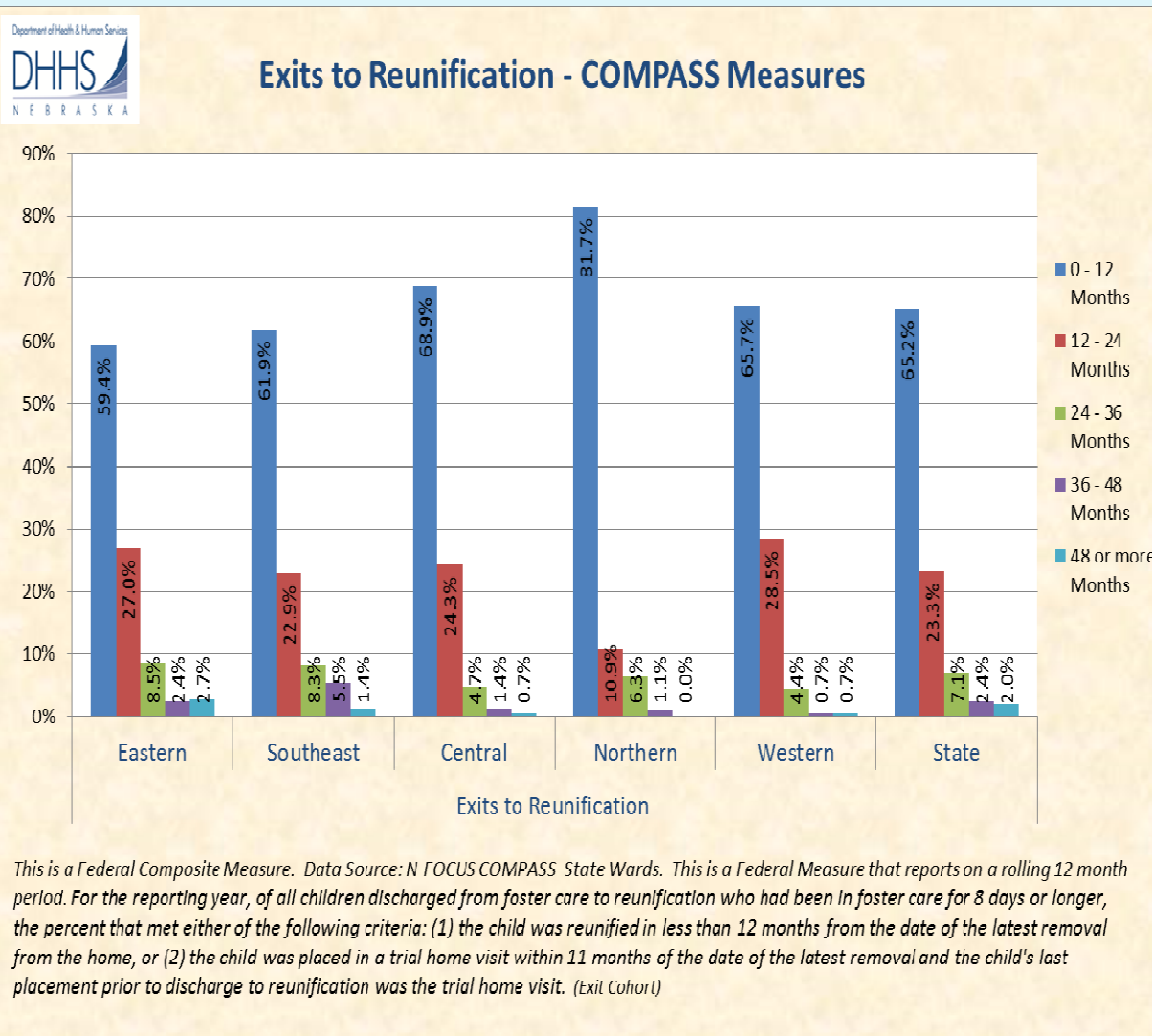
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

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OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

Timeliness & Permanency of Reunification

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: No Service Area is currently meeting this measure. Statewide performance is at 34.3%.

*NSA and ESA have seen stair step decline in the last 6 months.

Barriers:

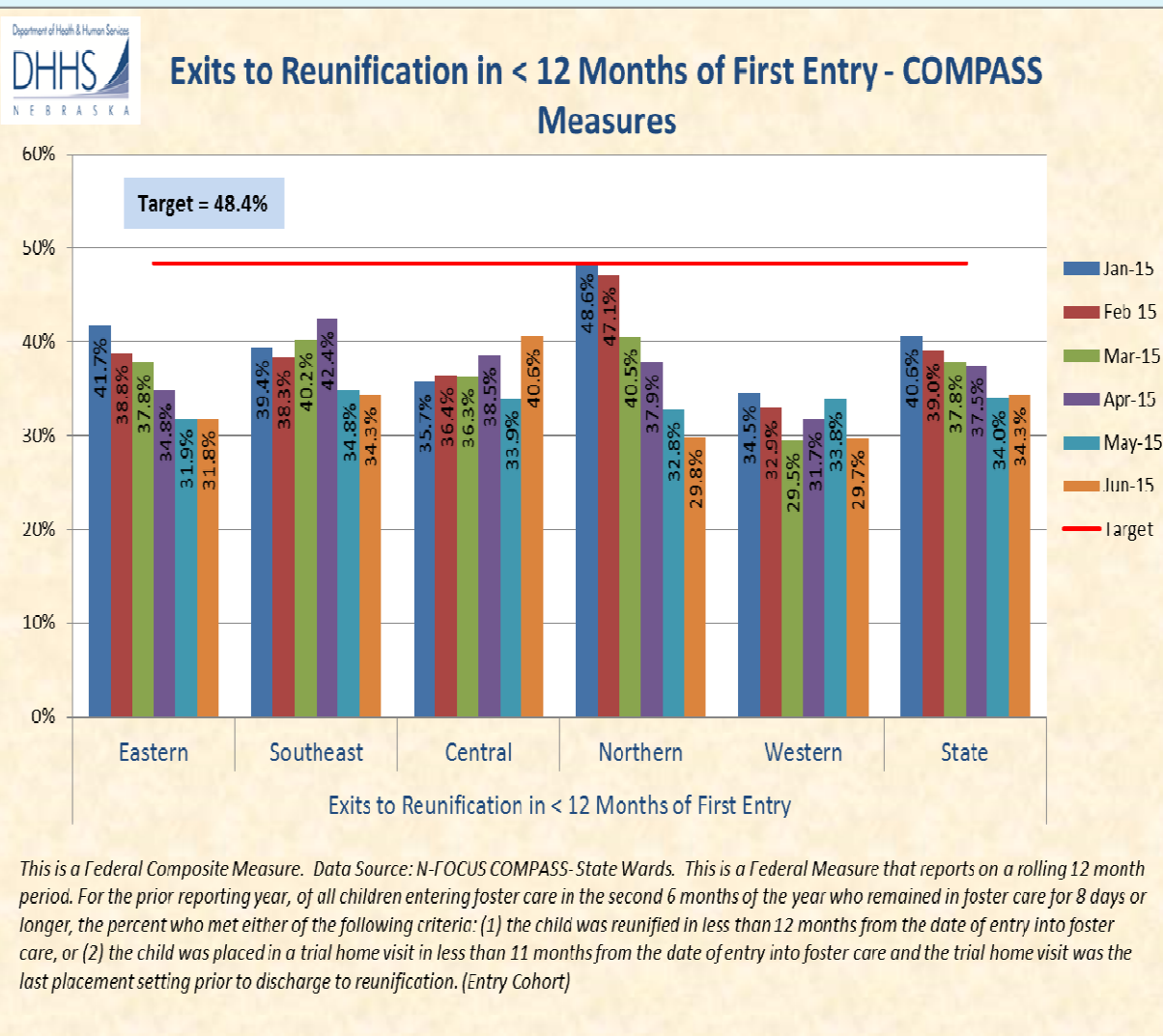
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

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OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

Timeliness & Permanency of Reunification

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: Statewide Median Months in care is 8.2. NSA (6.3) is closest to the target goal.

Barriers:

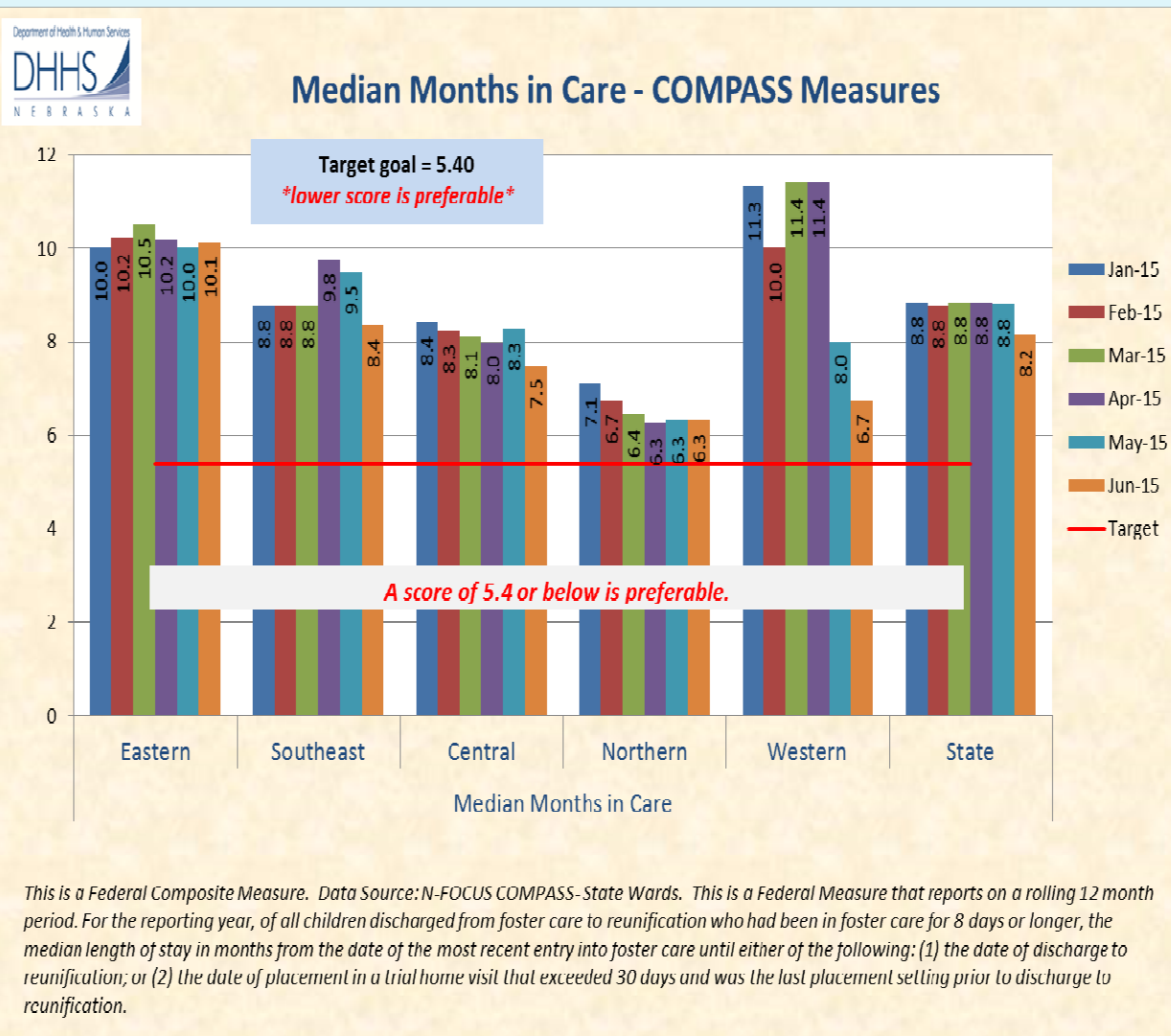
Action Items:

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Timeliness & Permanency of Reunification

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: WSA is not meeting the target goal for this measure.

Barriers:

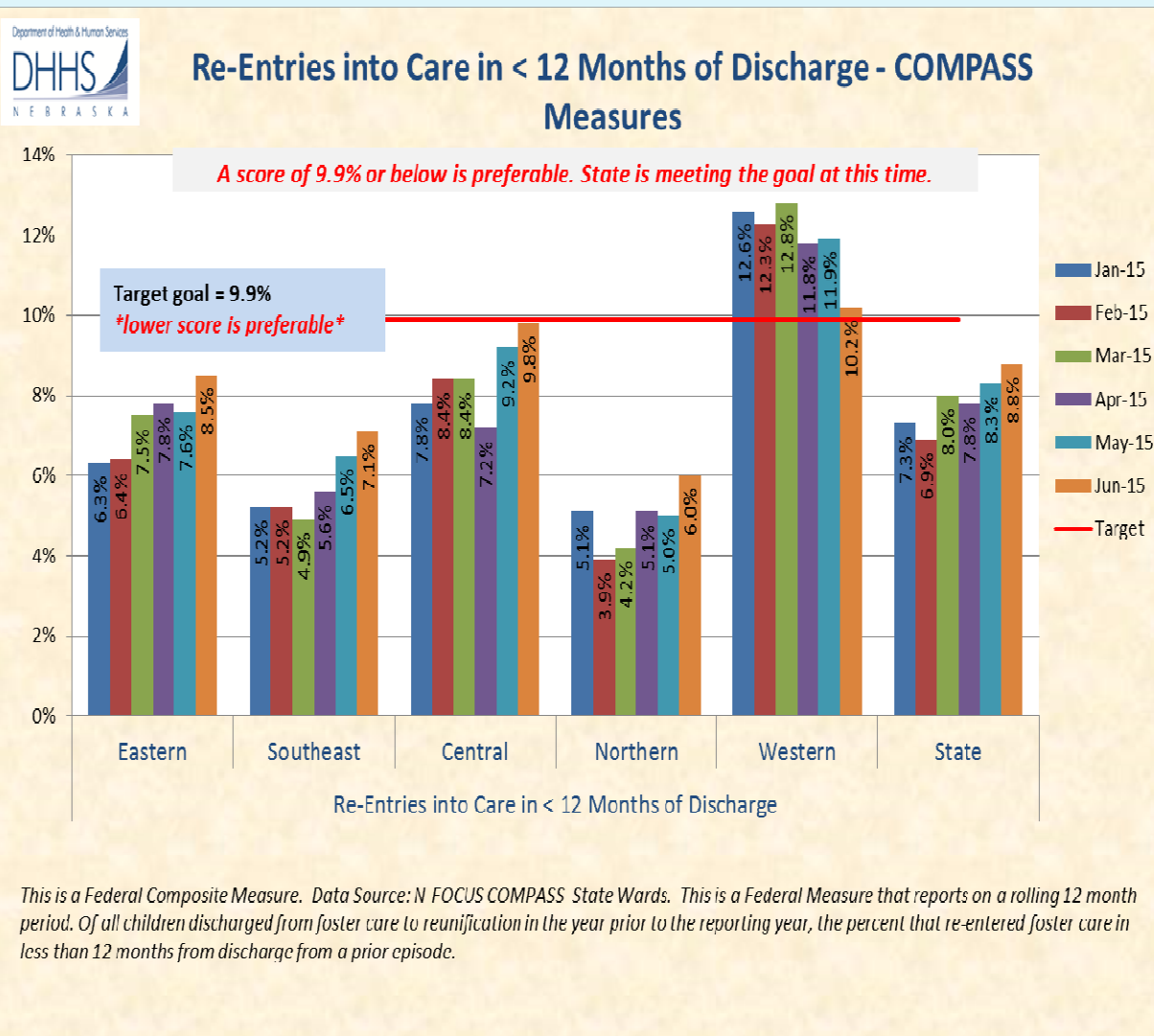
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Data Review Frequency: Quarterly (March, June, September, December)

Placement Stability

Strengths/Opportunities:

June 2015: State performance continues to exceed target goal. All Service Areas are exceeding the target goal.

Barriers:

- Placement disruptions due to child behaviors
- Shortage of foster placements for older youth with behavior needs.

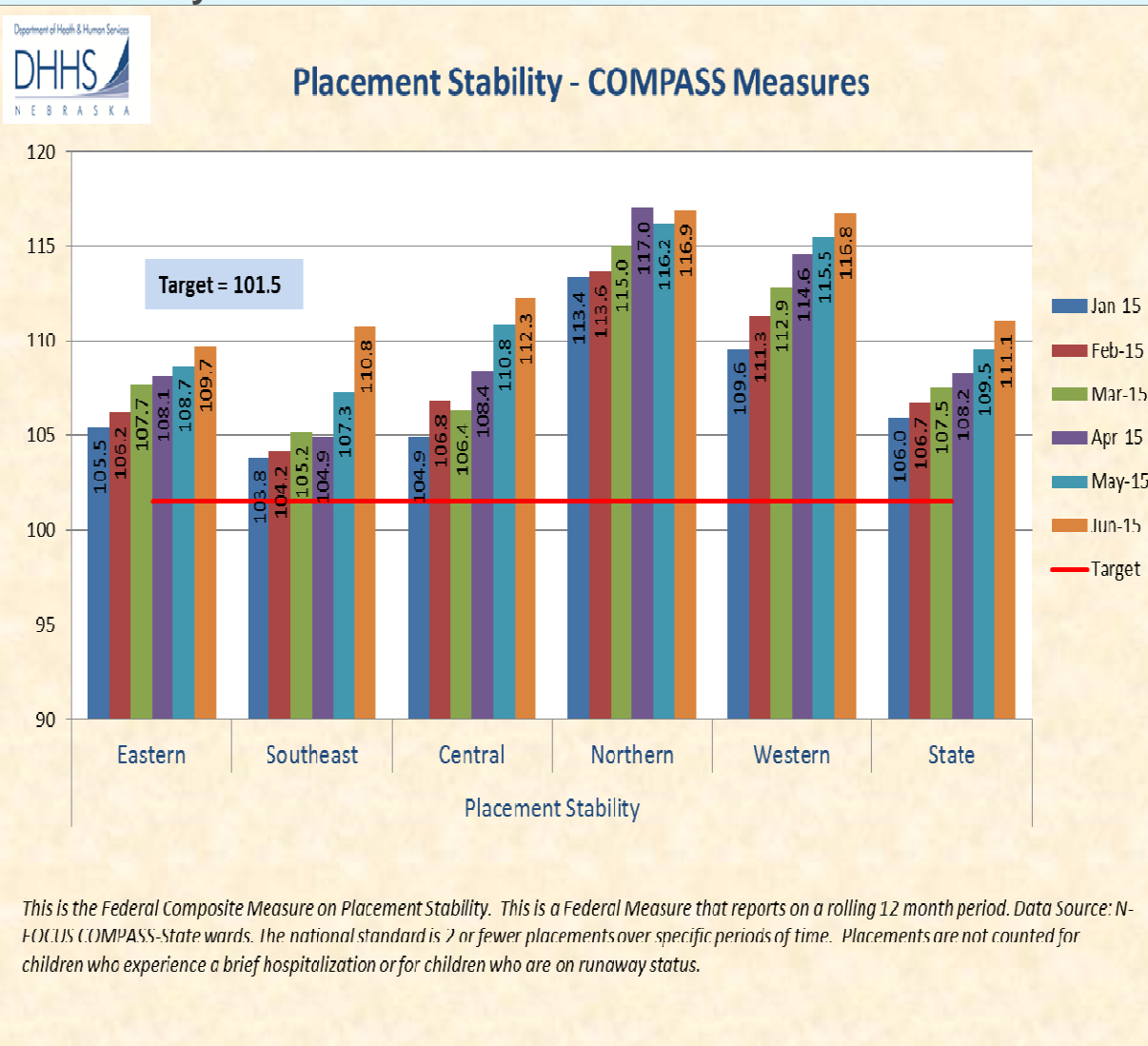
Action Items:

CQI Team Priority:

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OUTCOME STATEMENT: Children Will Achieve Timely Permanency



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